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TATAS BID TO RE-ACQUIRE AIR INDIA 68 YEARS AFTER LOSING IT

Tata Sons, the holding company of Tata Group, on Wednesday submitted a financial bid to acquire the loss-making carrier

SPICEJET ALSO IN THE RACE, SAY REPORTS

If the bid by Tata Sons, the holding company of India's largest conglomerate, is successful, it will mark the return of Air India to Tatas. The Tata Group founded Air India as Tata Airlines in October 1932 but lost it after the government nationalised the airline in 1953. SpiceJet chairman Ajay Singh has also bid for the airline in his personal capacity, reports said

CABINET TO CLEAR THE WINNING BID

The bid offering the highest price above the reserve price would be accepted. The winning bid will be examined by the transaction advisor before the recommendation is sent to the Cabinet
Govt to sell 100% of its stake in AI, including AI's 100% stake in AI Express Ltd and 50% in Air India SATS Airport Services | P13

Wednesday

WAS THE LAST DAY FOR PUTTING IN FINANCIAL BIDS TO BUY AIR INDIA

Stress-buster reforms for telecom sector

100% FDI through automatic route; 4-year moratorium on all government dues; non-telecom revenues out of AGR

JONATHAN ANANDA @ Chennai

THE Centre on Wednesday opened up the telecom sector to 100% foreign direct investment through the automatic route and announced a slew of measures to lift the distressed industry. These include a four-year moratorium on government dues such as adjusted gross revenue (AGR) and spectrum payments, besides rationalisation of spectrum charges.

The government also tweaked the definition of AGR to confine it to telecom revenues, seeking to ease the ₹1.52 lakh crore burden on telcos caused

by a 2019 Supreme Court order that held that the existing definition of AGR included non-telecom revenues.

The moratorium on AGR dues provides an annual cash flow breather of around ₹14,000 crore for the industry, while the break on spectrum dues gives another ₹32,000 crore of annual cash flow relief, according to rating agency ICRA. Companies opting for moratorium need to pay interest on the amount and such firms will have the option to pay this interest by way of equity. Guidelines for the same will be finalised by the Finance Ministry.

₹26,058 crore incentive scheme for auto sector

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the Production Linked Incentive scheme for the auto sector to promote advance automotive technologies, including clean energy vehicles, with incentives worth ₹26,058 crore over a five-year period | P13



The relief on AGR and statutory dues will have a big impact on freeing up the telecom industry's cash flow. Upcoming AGR due payments had placed serious financial constraints on Bharti Airtel and Vodafone

Idea, which were struggling to arrange large-scale capital expenditure required for network upgradation and expansion.

AGR dues of cash-strapped Vodafone Idea amounted to ₹58,000 crore and for Airtel, it

was ₹43,000 crore. Reliance Jio only had to pay ₹190 crore as AGR dues by virtue of being a late entrant to the market.

Among the other reforms announced by Union Telecom Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw are an 80% reduction in bank guarantees against licence fees. From now on, there will be no need to produce multiple bank guarantees to secure licences, he said. Interest rates and penalties on delayed statutory payments have also been cut, while the tenure of spectrum licences for future auctions has been raised from 20 to 30 years.

With the enhanced FDI limit, the Centre expects to attract fresh investment in the sector.

Cherry-picking names for tribunals angers SC

KANU SARDA @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Wednesday came down heavily on the Centre for cherry-picking names recommended by the Search and Selection Committees (SSCs) for filling up tribunal vacancies, adding that it will hold its hand for now on hauling the government up for contempt.

While the Centre claimed it had notified 84 appointments in three different tribunals — National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), Armed Forces Tribunal (AFT) and Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT) — on September 12, a special bench led by Chief Justice of India N V Ramana and comprising Justices D Y Chandrachud and L N Rao took a swipe at it.

The SSCs recommended 11 judicial members and 10 technical members for NCLT. But the appointment letters suggest some members were cherry-picked. "We cannot ignore selected candidates and go to waitlist. What type of selection and appointment is

this?" the CJI asked. The ITAT appointments, too, were on similar lines, the bench said.

"As part of SSCS for NCLT, I interviewed 534 candidates for judicial post and 400-odd for technical. Out of that, we chose 11 for judicial and 10 for technical. Of the judicial members, they selected four and picked three others from the waitlist. Same with technical members. We travelled across the country for this... But it seems to be a waste of time," the CJI rued.

Venugopal defended the government, citing a provision under the new Act.

Justice Chandrachud reminded him that he was relying on a provision struck down by the SC in July. When Justice Rao emphasised the government couldn't have picked people from the

list prepared for later-day vacancies, the A-G said the government was well within its rights to do so.

Venugopal cited The Tribunal Reforms Act, 2021, to assert the Centre's dominance over such appointments. P10

SURVEY OPERATION

I-T sleuths search actor Sonu Sood's Mumbai properties

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai



THE Income Tax Department on Wednesday searched the Mumbai properties of film actor Sonu Sood, who has earned wide acclaim for his charity work during the pandemic. According to officials, the recent deal between Sood's company and a Lucknow-based real estate firm is under the scanner

and there was a mismatch in the account book. Therefore, a 'survey operation' was initiated on Wednesday, they added.

The 48-year-old is known for his humanitarian efforts. He had organised special flights and buses for migrants stranded during the lockdown. He also arranged oxygen supply for Covid patients during the peak of the second Covid wave.

Recently, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal declared him the brand ambassador for his government's mentorship programme for school students. The move created a buzz that Sood may join politics, though the actor denied this.

Reacting sharply to the survey, the Aam Aadmi Party alleged political vendetta behind it. "An I-T raid on a man as upright as Sonu Sood, somebody who has been called a messiah by lakhs of people, somebody who helped the downtrodden. If a man like him can be politically targeted in a well thought out witch-hunt shows that the current regime is insensitive and politically insecure," said AAP leader Raghav Chaddha. Kejriwal tweeted that truth will prevail in the end. "Sonu Sood has the blessings of lakhs of families, whom he had helped during their difficult times," he tweeted.

KASHMIR INDIA HITS OUT AT PAK, OIC

New Delhi said it does not need lessons from a "failed state" and the OIC has allowed itself to be held "hostage" by Pakistan, after the neighbouring state and the grouping raised the Kashmir issue at the UN Human Rights Commission | P10

NEP in schools to take off with lower classes

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @ Bengaluru

THE Education Department is contemplating a phased introduction of the National Education Policy-2020 (NEP-2020) in schools from the 2022-23 academic year with focus on the first five years of schooling starting from Lower Kindergarten.

The first five years of schooling come under the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) under the NEP-2020.

The department has constituted a cell that is co-ordinating with the Union Education Ministry for implementation of the plan. The thrust areas will be ECCE, Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, vocational education and school complexes.

A task force for implementation of NEP in schools held its third meeting on Wednesday, with the next scheduled on September 22. Discussions have already begun, the implementation process has already been geared up, all works initiated for NEP-2020 is being tracked, different tasks and timelines have been issued, and works are going on, said a department source. CONTINUED ON: P2

Over half of daily sewage flowing into B'loru lakes

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

TENS of millions pumped into improving sanitation infrastructure may have literally gone down the drain. In a shocking revelation, a report by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) on management of storm water in Bengaluru Urban district, which was tabled in the Assembly on Wednesday, noted that more than 54 per cent of the 1,440 MLD (million litres per day) of sewage that is generated, is discharged into water bodies and drains in the state capital.

"In the absence of required quality control methodology for drains, the lakes of Bengaluru are extremely polluted due to sustained flow of untreated sewage and industrial effluents, resulting in lakes frothing and catching fire repeatedly through waste floating on its surface," the report said.

Rampant mixing of sewage with storm water is posing a threat to public health. Sewage lines were drawn inside drains and large quantity of sewage was illegally let into them. Since water in drains is not treated, the untreated sewage from drains are flowing into water bodies, affecting the quality of ground water. This carries substantial risk of spurt in water-borne



Heavy borrowings

The state government resorted to huge market borrowings of Rs 48,499 crore during 2019-20, resulting in 57% increase in cash balance for the current year at Rs 34,464 crore, compared to Rs 22,004 crore in the previous year, the Finance Audit Report said. P4

disease such as dengue, typhoid, cholera and others," report said.

The CAG report noted that rapid increase in the frequency of flooding in the city over the last few years, leading to destruction of roads, traffic congestion lasting several hours and extensive damage to public property and health, has highlighted the need for a thorough examination of the design, adaptability of infrastructure for the management of storm water and therefore, a performance audit was conducted. CONTINUED ON: P4



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Fresh cases 25,404 27,176

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Deaths 339 284

KARNATAKA SEPT 14 SEPT 15

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Couldn't get ventilators for kin: BJP MLA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

SHORTAGE of ventilators was among the major concerns during the peak of the Covid-19 second wave in the state and the government had to face flak from the Opposition as well as families of patients who were desperately looking for medical help. On Wednesday, an MLA of the ruling BJP himself

took up issue in the Assembly and even blamed non-availability of ventilators for the death of his relatives.

"I am not talking against the government. I am just presenting to you the ground reality," BJP MLA Hartal Halappa, who represents Sagar constituency in Shivamogga district, said during Zero Hour in the Assembly while speaking on the issue of non-availability of

ventilators. The lawmaker said that sometime ago, he even lost his sister-in-law and brother-in-law as ventilator beds were not available in hospitals.

Questioning the government on who should be held responsible for people not getting timely treatment, the legislator pointed out that a former Gram Panchayat president from Sagar had a fall and suffered brain haemorrhage. P4



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Ex-corporators, citizens demand early civic polls

Election has not been held since council term ended in Sept 2020

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@ Bengaluru

FORMER corporators and citizens on Wednesday unanimously demanded that the State Government must hold the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) council elections at the earliest. They are of the opinion that the pandemic cannot be the reason for not holding civic polls, or the exercise of buying time from the court and the Election Commission in the guise of delimitation exercise, is also known to all.

A dip-stick online survey conducted by city-based NGO Janaagraha showed that 91 per cent of the people wanted elections to be held. The opinion and analysis were shared at the discussion- #WhereIsMyCorporator, organised by Janaagraha. The discussion was part of the NGO's 17th #CityPolitics conversation.

Deepak CN, General Secretary, Karnataka Rashtira

Samithi said, "Karnataka has 11 corporations but in many, elections have not been held. The government is holding elections where they are seeing political benefits or when there is a court intervention."

K V Yashodha Rajanna, of JD(S), said that the Constitution is being violated by not holding elections within six months after the term of the council ended. "It clearly shows political tactics in the delay," he adds.

The term of the BBMP council with 198 wards ended in September last year. Since then, no elections have been held owing to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Abdul Wajid, ex-corporator and Congress leader, said, "By not holding elections, the gov-

By not holding elections, the government is depriving people of their right to vote and choose their representatives

Abdul Wajid, ex-corporator and Congress leader

ernment is depriving people of their right to vote and choose their representatives. Now, the role of corporators is being managed by MLAs and MPs, who are not available for the people like the corporators. The new BBMP Act has not given anything to the city; it is not helping in conducting new elections, instead, many committees have been formed."

Wajid commented that if the state government has to run the city, then it is better to abolish BBMP, "as the officials act on what the government says and not on what the citizens need." Asked if the council had existed, would the issue of revision and penalty in taxes occurred, all former corporators, irrespective of the party unanimously said, "No". Shilpa Abhilash, ex-corporator, Congress, said, "The nodal officers appointed by the government are also of little or of no use. They are not aware of the wards assigned. The ward committees do not know them and thus, the issues remain unresolved."



NAGARAJA GADEKAL

CM inaugurates redesigned KR Circle

On the occasion of Engineer's Day, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai inaugurated KR Circle which has been re-designed and made people-friendly. During the inauguration, the CM also paid homage to the statue of Sir M Visvesvaraya. The BBMP is not just revamping 30 junctions across the city but also giving a special touch by constructing water fountains and water falls at these locations. An amount of Rs 1 crore was invested for re-modelling KR Circle and Rs 1.25 crore was spent for the construction of the water fountain.

Govt assures job security for anganwadi workers

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PRIMARY and Secondary Education Minister B C Nagesh, after attending a meeting with department officials, confirmed that the zero year of NEP implementation in schools will start with lower classes first from 2022-23. An NEP-2020 Cell has been created and developments are being tracked on an internal server, he said.

A department official expressed concerns about integrating Anganwadis with the pre-primary education as proposed by the NEP, without adequate funding for building these classes since the first five years of schooling has to be in a cluster format.

However, Minister Nagesh assured job security for anganwadi workers. The Education Department is in collabo-

ration with the Women and Child Welfare Department for this, he said.

Ministry sources said anganwadis will not lose their relevance as, in the next academic year (2022-23), the workers will be used at their current locations, ensuring that their roles continue as before.

Allaying concerns among ground workers about integration of Anganwadis in school clusters and their obliteration, besides lack of funding for construction of new classrooms for kindergarten students, a senior department official said the programme will begin from the prelocated anganwadis itself. Also, government schools in the state already have LKG and UKG, hence there will be no need for additional classrooms.

Children with Covid-like symptoms to get tested

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STUDENTS who have Covid-like symptoms for more than two days will have to undergo tests, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Chief Commissioner Guarav Gupta said on Wednesday. He instructed officials to identify nodal authorities in all schools in the city to check on children showing Covid-like symptoms which persist for more than two days, to control the virus.

After a meeting with Paediatric Expert Committee members and the Technical Expert Committee on steps to be taken for children's safety, Gupta told the media that stakeholders discussed measures on controlling the spread of the virus in children, especially since they have



started going to school.

Experts and officials also discussed how to conduct Covid-19 tests and allot separate beds and make arrangements for the children.

He said, "All schools in the city must identify nodal officers who work in coordination with the health officer at the primary health centre that falls in the same area as the school. Students with symptoms persisting for more than two days must not attend school. After information of children with symptoms is provided to the

PHC, a health officers' team must visit the houses of the children and conduct tests.

BBMP health officials said that so far, RT-PCR tests were being done on children with symptoms persisting for more than two days in hospitals, and most of them were found to be Covid-negative.

Gupta said that BBMP will issued guidelines to all hospitals about conducting tests for children, and those being hospitalised due to other diseases.

The committees also directed officials to ensure that vaccines are given to all those coming in contact with schoolchildren.

The committee members also pointed that that 7.21 per cent infection percentage was found in children aged 0-12 years and 8.21 per cent in 13-18 year-old children.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

16th September: My focus is on Cancer, a sign which embodies the virtues of home, family and traditional values. Actually, a lot of Cancerians have rebelled against such things - but only because they are super-conscious of everything that isn't absolutely perfect. Many people who fight for a better world embody the best about this wonderful sign.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Today's intense planetary alignment could find you moving towards increased social status and satisfaction. Other people will begin to look to you as the person who can express their hopes and implement their goals. Whether that's a role that you're comfortable with is another matter!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)

You could not ask for more support from your planets, and this is precisely why you can be confident that home and family matters will work out in your favour in the end. Aromatic surprises will lift your morale some time over the next few days - hopefully!

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

One of the most important features in your life, aside from moral and legal questions, could be a connection with a foreign country, perhaps a spiritual one. It seems likely that you could be travelling for business, or that some other serious matter will have to be settled.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

Money is still extremely important consideration, if not the most important factor. As from today, you may be able to move forward and start planning for the future, rather than being held back by the past. And, from tomorrow, you may begin to see the results of your labours.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)

Today's marvellous Moon is a one extremely helpful and very difficult, which means that this is a time of contradictions and paradoxes. Success may bring burdensome responsibilities while failure may release you from unwelcome commitments. Nothing is as it seems!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

Listen to your imagination. You may be under a great deal of pressure, but it's from within, from your intuitions, that you will understand both the true nature of your personal commitments and find a way forward. A little quiet contemplation will help.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

It looks very much as if children should be taking first place at home. Practical help is required, and self-discipline is vital if you are to maintain peace and harmony. It's necessary that you younger relations should be allowed to find their own way forward. That's the bottom line!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

One family member is in trouble, another has never done better. You must be able to distinguish between those who need praise and those who require sympathy and support. Be sensitive and compassionate, and in return you'll receive the help that you need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)

You must take decisions only in terms of long-term interests and security. This is no time to risk everything on some rash impulse or other, and if you are tempted to stage a walk-out, you should think very carefully indeed. It's not just your actions which matter, but their consequences.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)

This is undoubtedly the right moment to determine your next cash initiative, but an emotional relationship could stand in the way. You should hold back unless you know you've got it exactly right. Partners must learn to respect your cautious approach - if they don't already, that is!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

The Moon is forming a pleasing alignment with your sign today, which means that you're at a turning point. Take it one step at a time and make self-discipline, consistency and integrity your major qualities. If all goes well, sincerely and hard work will be rewarded.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20)

Both emotional and financial matters are now bubbling away. But what is truly important is your deep and profound imagination. This is the source of your current hopes, which need to be encouraged, and fears, which need to be reassured. If you're not certain what to do next, look at what more experienced people are up to and learn from their example.

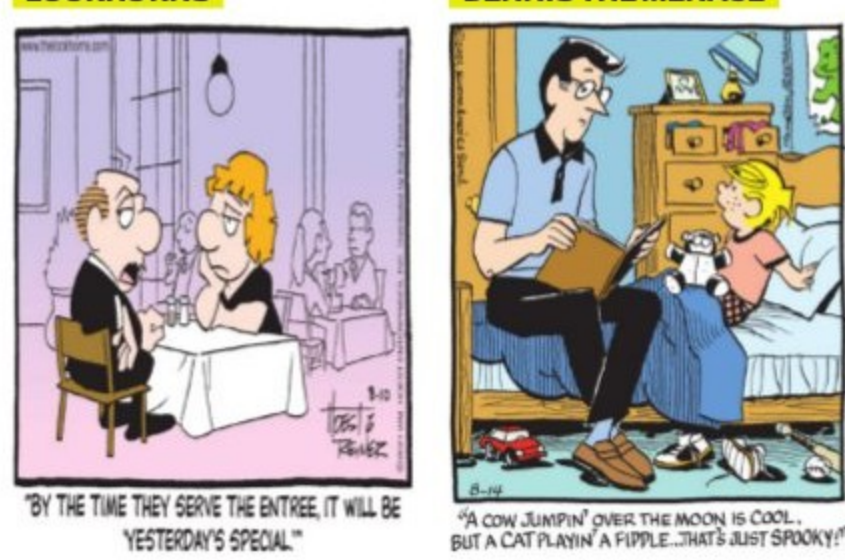
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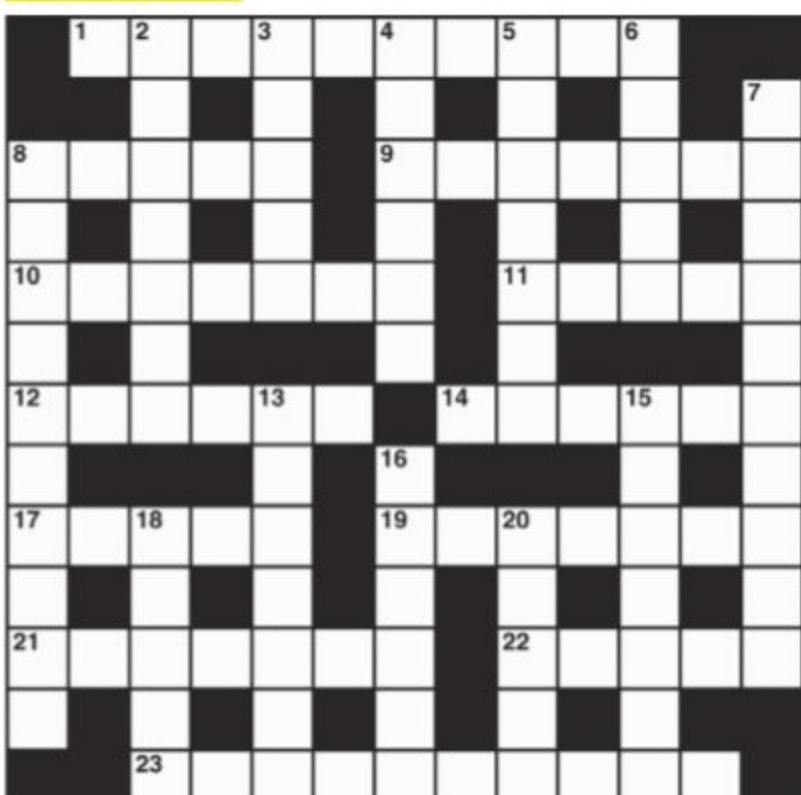
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ACROSS

- Give old man weapons for the final conflict (10)
- Checked garments for Scottish soldiers (5)
- Overlook four in the smithy (7)
- He drinks to a steamship vessel (7)
- Follow directions and engage in litigation (5)
- Notes there are many in short skirts (6)
- The respect in which going back meets the point (6)
- Convicts once picked it but not from choice (5)
- Delivery from Ontario (7)
- Regards foreign money as a bad thing (7)
- Bill free of bitterness? (5)
- There are terms for this (10)

DOWN

- Catches as one comes drunkenly home (5,2)
- Poe's a weird storyteller (5)
- Spent two notes at the charity do (6)
- Cuts off some of the beams? (7)
- They are hit on the head and slain perhaps (5)
- Settled in a resolute way (10)
- Tribal symbols could be temples too (5,5)
- Something that flies holding a large number - it's big (7)
- Witty saying has some point with animals (7)
- Resign because of one's self image? (6)
- Supporters of a proposal (5)
- Not all separate (5)

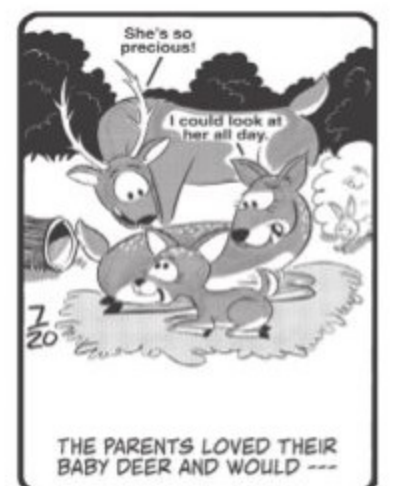
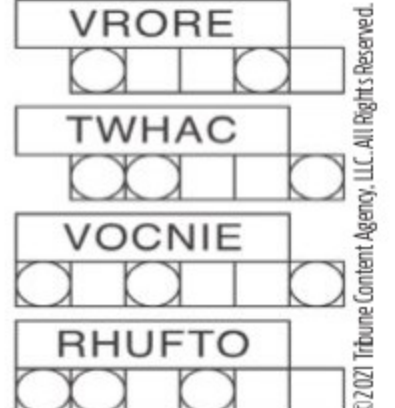
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- Across: 1 Elaps, 4 Brooch, 9 Harbour, 10 Nurt, 11 Run up, 12 Towpoe, 13 Out of breath, 14 Unrav, 20 Dosed, 22 Finis, 23 New moon, 24 Waylay, 25 Adders.
- Down: 1 Exhort, 2 Aaron, 3 Scorpio, 5 Renew, 6 Outpost, 7 Hayden, 8 Prouberant, 14 Unrav, 15 Endowed, 16 Curfew, 17 Adonis, 19 Vesta, 21 Scope.

JUMBLE

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Kunkel

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

ANSWERS TOMORROW
YESTERDAY'S Jumbles:
DOLLY EMMEE WALRUS GALLOP
ANSWER: The husband-to-be who was dressed and ready for his wedding was - WELL-GROOMED

They have to undergo counselling, check-up before vax; beneficiaries monitored for 10 days after vaccination

ON RIGHT TRACK

Ever since the drive began on July 27, 3,701 pregnant women and 830 lactating women were vaccinated with one dose in Bengaluru, until September 14. These beneficiaries were vaccinated in 12 public health centres, including six referral hospitals, three urban primary health centres (UPHC), one

The drive is more time-consuming with these women, as

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Bangaluru saw the highest addition in cases since July 9 (472 cases), with 462 cases taking the city's tally to 12,42,332. Active cases saw the highest percentage increase in the city, at 2.69 per cent, with the number going up from 7.136 to 7.328.

followed by Udupi (89), Hassan (81), Mysuru (76), and Kodagu (67).

"We screen pregnant women for being high-risk patients, be it those with BP, sugar or other abnormalities. If they are at

The vaccination site informs the field staff at UPHCs, who in turn inform ASHA workers and ANMs, who call or visit the women. The vaccination sites also follow up with the beneficiary. To ensure the process is done efficiently, the drive is currently on a smaller scale. When women come for antenatal checkups at government hospitals, awareness is created on getting the vaccine.

Almost 10 to 15 people come per day and even those admitted in hospital wards are coming forward, with staff nurses doing their part by counselling patients.

ENS@ Mangaluru

The microbiologist, employed with a Goa-based company that manufactures Nipah and Covid test kits, had expressed fear that he may have contracted the Nipah virus.

SAFETY FIRST

With government easing travel restrictions, a girl helps her little sister wear a mask before boarding a bus at the KSRTC bus stand on Wednesday | SHIRAM BN

More Delta variant strains showing up

BENGALURU: A meeting with the Technical Expert Committee, experts pointed out that genome sequencing has shown more number of Delta variant strains. The committee has advised that genome sequencing is to be continued. The committee held a detailed meeting with BBMP health officials on Wednesday to discuss the serosurvey and genome sequencing findings. BBMP Chief Commissioner Gaurav Gupta said the civic body will collect more samples and hold tests to see if any variants are found in the city. Genome sequencing is done by obtaining more samples from double dose vaccinated people who have been infected with Covid-19. ENS

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'Criminal loot', says Siddu on fuel price

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THE Assembly on Wednesday witnessed heated arguments between the Opposition and the government during a debate on price rise.

Opposition leader Siddaramaiah, who raised the issue, accused the BJP governments in the state and Centre of "criminal loot". He challenged Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai to agree for an unanimous resolution requesting the Centre to reduce excise duty on petrol and diesel. He demanded a reduction in the cess and sales tax on petrol and diesel in the state as done by Tamil Nadu and suggested that the price be cut more than what was done in the neighbouring state. "Reduce the sales tax from 35% to 15% on petrol and from 24% to 15% on diesel," he thundered. Bommai said he will respond to it on Thursday.

Rubbishing the BJP's claim that UPA-era oil bonds were the reason for the spike in fuel prices, Siddaramaiah said it was the NDA government in 2002 which issued bonds worth Rs 9,000 crore. "When crude oil prices were about \$140 per barrel in the international market, then Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, during the UPA-I

government, had raised Rs 1.4 lakh crore through bonds to reduce the burden on consumers and also to rescue the oil companies from loss," he elaborated. Ruling party members, including Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister J C Madhuswamy, RDPR Minister K S Eshwarappa and Revenue Minister R Ashoka, attacked Siddaramaiah saying that he was raising an issue in the Assembly, which should more aptly be debated in Parliament, only to score brownie points.

Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar attributed the fuel price hike to India importing 85% of its fuel needs and the devaluation of the rupee, which Opposition members like Dr Ajay Singh and Priyank Kharke refused to buy.

When Siddaramaiah gave instances of tweets by BJP Rajya Sabha member Subramanian Swamy criticising the rise in fuel prices, Bommai countered by calling Swamy a freelance politician "who criticised the parties that he represented." Siddaramaiah also demanded that the legislature be convened for 60 days. "We are in September... only 20 days of sessions were held this year. I urge the State Government to extend the ongoing session by another week," he said.



Opposition leader in the Council, SR Patil, makes a point during a discussion, on Wednesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Irrigation projects govt's top priority, says Karjol

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WATER Resources Minister Govind Karjol on Wednesday said completing irrigation projects to fully utilise the state's share of water is a top priority for the State Government.

Responding to concerns expressed by a few MLCs over the delay in taking up the Upper Krishna Project (UKP) Stage-3 project and other irrigation projects, Karjol said that the government is committed to completing the UKP project and significant progress will be made in the project during this government's tenure.

The government is making all efforts to get the project declared a national project, he said, adding that the land acquisition is a challenge as 1,34,00 acres needs to be acquired for the project and the cost has increased significantly. Karjol said ₹7,728.80 crore was released from 2013 to 2018 when Congress was in power, ₹1,295.50 crore was released

during the coalition government's tenure and after July 2019, the government has released ₹3,324 crore for the project.

Opposition Leader SR Patil said Karnataka was unable to complete the project even 10 years after the tribunal order, while neighbouring Telangana completed the ₹1,20,000 crore Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project in just three years.

Karjol said after Krishna Tribunal-2 gave its final order in 2010, a detailed project report was prepared in 2011-12 for utilising 130tmcft and administrative approval was also given. "Our government will make an honest effort to complete the project," he said.

Karjol said the government will also expedite the Yetina-hole project after resolving issues related to land acquisition and take up the Mekedatu project after getting necessary approvals. He said they are getting necessary approvals from the Centre and also handling the legal issues to implement the projects.



RDPR Minister KS Eshwarappa speaks in the Assembly on Wednesday

State borrowed heavily, used funds for capital expenditure: CAG report

Gender budget allocation up, but not based on data; govt firms fail to remit interest earned

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka government resorted to huge market borrowings of ₹48,499 crore during the financial period 2019-20, resulting in 57 per cent increase in cash balance for the current year at ₹34,464 crore, compared to ₹22,004 crore the previous year, the Comptroller and Auditor-General observed in its State Finance Audit Report. The report was tabled in the assembly on Wednesday.

Off-budget borrowings made up 5 per cent (Rs 18,103 crore) of the total liabilities of ₹3,37,520 crore in 2019-20, and capital expenditure of ₹39,599 crore included ₹1,194.23 crore towards serving the principal budget borrowings. The CAG noted that capital expenditure is basically incurred from bor-

rowings. Though the state incurred huge borrowings, increase in capital expenditure over the previous year was a meagre one per cent.

However, the share of capital expenditure is 19 per cent of total expenditure. The CAG noted that as against the initial budgeted cost of ₹4,358.06 crore, in respect of 978 works stipulated to be completed on or before March 2020, progressive expenditure was ₹2,341.06 crore. Of 978 projects which were incomplete as on March 31, 2020, 20 per cent had remained incomplete for more than three years. This not only resulted in cost and time overrun, but the state government also had to bear extra burden in terms of servicing debt and interest liabilities on borrowings incurred towards implementation of these projects. The CAG noted

that although the budget "enhanced its allocation towards gender budgeting every year, the gender budget process lacked overall analysis, gender data and monitoring mechanism. The efforts of the government stagnated at bringing out documents that only attempted to quantify allocations earmarked for women and girls..."

The CAG made other observations too. "In test checked cases, under 11 grants and 9 object heads, the supplementary provision of Rs 340.97 crore proved unnecessary, under 14 grants and 12 object heads, supplementary provision was excessive as there was unspent provision of ₹1,680.15 crore. In 12 grants/appropriation, the entire unspent provision of ₹5,369.27 crore was not surrendered. In test checked cases, the interest earned on Government Grants to an extent

of ₹803.99 crore was not remitted to the Government Account by 10 Government Companies/Corporations. As at the end of March 2020, ₹4,221.56 crore was lying in the PD Accounts of the administrators..."

The CAG noted that expenditure under education and health in 2019-20 was below that of other states. Analysis for 2014-15 to 2019-20 showed that priority towards education had decreased up to 2018-19, and there was no significant variance in priority towards health. In 2019-20, there was slight increase in allotment for education, but decrease in priority for health. "In 2019-20, as against provision of ₹2,63,804.67 crore, expenditure of ₹2,33,978.23 crore was incurred, resulting in unspent provision of ₹29,826.44 crore under 29 grants/appropriation," the report noted.

Panel slams Home Dept on 'begging mafia'

The committee on Women and Child Welfare headed by BJP MLA K Poornima has blamed the Home Department for not controlling the 'begging mafia' in the state. No action has been taken against people behind this mafia, the committee rued. Keeping a check on beggars and giving facilities to them is not just the responsibility of the Women and Child Welfare Department. People from outside Karnataka come here to beg. Hence, there is a need for coordination between various departments, the committee added. The committee said that between 2015 and 2020, 42,427 women were missing of which 38,824 have been identified. Most of these women run away from home owing to domestic violence, the report added. ENS

Officials move to e-office, expect quick work

The State government directed senior officers to use "e-office" software from October 1, to reduce the number of levels at which files are handled. The government order on Wednesday said that from October 1, the movement of proposals, letters and reports by DCs, Zilla Panchayat CEOs and heads of departments to the secretary, should be only through e-office. The secretary should, as far as possible, dispose of the matter or submit it to the minister concerned. "Only in exceptional cases, where the matter requires additional information or if the matter has to be brought before the cabinet and a cabinet note prepared, the secretary can send the e-office single file to the deputy secretary," the GO stated. All letters and reports to the secretariat should be sent as receipts in e-office. ENS

Verify quality of SWDs in B'luru, govt told

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"A robust policy governing storm water management does not exist. Both the State Government and the BBMP have failed to consider urban surface runoff as a water resource despite growing scarcity of water in the state," it noted. Despite being aware that the

drains were connected to water bodies and the runoff ultimately gets discharged into rivers, which would be used for human consumption, the BBMP had not taken any action to involve the KSPCB in getting of water samples tested at different stretches, it said.

The CAG has recommended to the State Government to con-

duct an independent verification of the quality of storm water drains in Bengaluru. Also, the BBMP should accord high priority to prevent discharge of sewage into storm water drains and needs to evict all encroachments on storm water drains, it said. The report also revealed that many of the STPs were constructed without machin-

ery, defeating the purpose. It also said that BBMP has not removed 714 encroachments on drains out of the 2,626 identified encroachments. The audit noted that 16 major encroachments in Bengaluru were not among the 2,626 encroachment. "This questions the reliability of SWD engineers," it stressed.

CRITICAL OBSERVATIONS

- ▶ As many as 18 lakes (254 acres) were reported dry in Bengaluru which carries significant risk of these lakes being vulnerable to encroachments
- ▶ More than 40% of properties under BWSSB failed to adopt mandatory rain water harvesting structures
- ▶ Inspections of drains show that they were filled with debris at many places

- ▶ Tenders for 110 SWDs works, costing Rs 38.59 crore, were invited and were executed by engineers who were not responsible for SWD works
- ▶ Difference over identification of Rajakaluvu between BDA and BBMP, leading to confusion over buffer zone. There is no coordination among other stakeholders
- ▶ The BBMP has taken up 14 desilting works, costing Rs 17.56



core, during the monsoon in violation of the Indian Road Congress guidelines which stipulates desilting before the onset of monsoon

- ▶ Out of 210 lakes under BBMP, 66 lakes are yet to be developed
- ▶ Of the 4,200-4,500 tons of dry and wet waste generated daily during 2018-19 and 2019-20, 2,900-3,800 tons lifted, remaining waste is dumped in vacant plots and drains or burnt by BBMP
- ▶ There is an indication of BBMP's dependency on government grants for undertaking its activities

Siddaramaiah slams govt for temple demolition drive

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THE demolition of a temple near Nanjangud has exposed the government's double standards, Opposition leader Siddaramaiah said here on Wednesday.

Speaking about demolition of a temple near Nanjangud, and the protest by MP Pratap Simha, Siddaramaiah questioned if "official demolitions" are being carried out by the Chief Secretary, without bringing the issue to the notice of the government. He asked whether the drive can be carried out without the consent of the government. He said the government was aware of the demoli-

tions, and alleged that leaders speak about Hindutva, but demolish Hindu temples.

"They claim to build mandirs and perform Ram Jaapa, but are demolishing temples. They speak about Hindutva for votes but are not concerned about temples or Hindus. The demolition order was passed over a week ago, but the MP is raising objections now," Siddaramaiah claimed.

The Nanjangud deputy commissioner and tahsildar carried out the demolitions, and only after a public outcry did the government react. "Why was there no discussion or debate on the demolitions? This shows they are false Hindutva-vadis," he said.



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Siddaramaiah, CLP leader

BJP, Congress workers clash

ENS @ Mysuru

TENSION gripped Hunchaguni village in Nanjangud taluk on Wednesday after BJP and Congress workers clashed over taking control of the committee managing the Mahadevamma temple, which was pulled down recently. The clash broke out when KPCC working president R Dhruvanarayan left the village after visiting the demolished temple. According to sources, as the two rivals groups were in the race to take control of the committee, Ravi Kumar, a Congress worker, allegedly attacked Udayaravi, a BJP work-

er, on the head with an iron rod. Ravi Kumar fled the scene. Enraged, BJP supporters and Udayaravi's brothers tacked Prasanna and Keerthi — brothers of Ravikumar — who have been admitted to a hospital.

It is alleged that the families of Ravi Kumar and Udayaravi were at loggerheads ever since the panchayat elections, and also locked horns at a meeting convened to decide on rebuilding the temple and to lead a protest in Mysuru.

The Hullahalli police have registered a case against Ravi Kumar, his brothers and others.

Plans afoot to convert diesel RTC buses to CNG

ENS @ Bengaluru

MINISTER for Transport and Tribal Welfare B Sriramulu on Wednesday said that keeping in mind the increasing fuel costs and environmental concerns, all the state transport buses will be converted to run on CNG in a phased manner. He said work on this will start after getting nod from CM Basavaraj Bommai.

"With Covid-19, many people have started using their personal vehicles... this will result in air pollution. Fuel prices have also increased...," he said, adding that a large

share of the profits made by the RTCs were spent towards fuel. He was speaking at the launch of a CNG promotional scheme introduced by Gail Gas Limited for Bengaluru urban and rural.

Under the scheme, owners of new CNG vehicles or those who convert their vehicles to CNG, will be given a fuel card ranging from ₹14,000 to ₹25,000, which can be utilised to fill free CNG at any of the CNG stations in Bengaluru. The card will be valid for 120-180 days and will offer a daily limit of ₹150-₹300, depending on the type of vehicle.

IN THE HOUSE



Cracking down on erring officials, says Ashoka

Revenue Minister R Ashoka on Wednesday informed the Legislative Council that the government will be able to get around ₹5,000-6,000 crore in betterment charges if the Akrama-Sakrama scheme is implemented, but they are unable to take it forward due to court cases. He said Akrama-Sakrama will help people to regularise properties and the government to mobilize revenue. Five sub-registers have been suspended over the last few days over the registration of sites in Shivaram Karanth Layout in Bengaluru, he added. Meanwhile, Social Welfare and Backward Classes Welfare Minister Kota Srinivas Poojary said the proposal to increase salaries of Gram Panchayat members is under the consideration of the Finance Department. The government will also examine if bus passes can be issued to them, he said.

Covid tests at KIA a rip-off, allege Haris, Nero

MLAs N A Haris and Vinisha Nero have alleged that there is rampant corruption in the Covid tests carried out by agencies at Bengaluru International Airport. They put forth their personal experiences to back their claims. During the calling attention motion, Congress MLA Haris alleged that the government is collecting Rs 3,200 per test, which is akin to RAT, whereas RT-PCR test costs a reasonable Rs 800. Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar defended the cost, saying it was Abbot's expert test based on a cartridge that costs more, as the results are out in fifteen minutes. But Nero alleged that she was forced to pay Rs 1,200 more, apart from Rs 3,200. Speaker Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri asked the minister to cross-check and take action, if necessary. ENS

Will talk to NIMHANS director: CM

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THE former Gram Panchayat president was taken to NIMHANS in Bengaluru at 7 am but did not get a ventilator bed till 10 am. "I made phone calls to the institute director, Health Commissioner and even the Health Minister. But nothing happened," he regretted.

Responding to the issues raised by the MLA, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai assured him of discussing the issue with the NIMHANS director. "At NIMHANS, not just people from Karnataka, but people from across South India come to avail treatment," Bommai added.

More foreigners held under drug laws

Nigerians account for majority of arrests in Bengaluru for trafficking narcotics

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

THE number of foreigners arrested by the City police under drug trafficking laws has tripled since 2019 and a majority of the accused are of African origin.

Official statistics show that as on September 12, the City police have arrested 114 foreign nationals under the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985, as against 84 foreigners in 2020 and 38 in 2019.

A majority of the accused are from Nigeria. This year, out of the 114 foreigners arrested, 70 are from Nigeria. Last year, out of the 84 held, 45 were from Nigeria and in 2019, out of the 38



foreigners arrested, 19 were from that country.

City Police Commissioner Kamal Pant said that there are a lot of foreigners who have come here for genuine purposes like studies, medical reasons, tourism, etc. "But some have come under adverse notice after indulging in organised

criminal activities like drug trafficking, cybercrime and prostitution. Some of them are repeat offenders. They are arrested and when they are let out on bail, they go back to their criminal activities," he pointed out.

Apart from Nigerians, nationals from Congo, Sudan, Ivory Coast, Tanzania, Uganda, Guinea, South Africa, Kenya, Cameroon, Somalia, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Nepal have also been arrested under the NDPS Act. Bengaluru North and East divisions have lot of pockets where most of the foreign nationals stay. Some of them are living in violation of visa conditions and indulge in organised crime. They are

arrested, and after being enlarged on bail, they go back to their nefarious activities because bail conditions do not allow them to leave the country.

The City police are cracking down on landlords, who rent out their premises to foreigners without any valid documents. In a special drive, those found staying in violation of their visa conditions are being produced before the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) and sent to the foreigners' detention centre in Nela-mangala. Two Congolese nationals — Ndasi Didier (26) and Buheshe Bahogwerhe Vinny (27) were recently produced before the FRRO and have been lodged in the centre.

Beautician, friend arrested with heroin worth Rs 1.5 lakh

Bengaluru: The Banasawadi police have arrested a 31-year-old beautician and her male friend on charges of peddling drugs and seized heroin worth Rs 1.5 lakh. Nengdekim Guite, an employee at a spa salon on Kammanahalli Main Road, and Paominsang Kipgen (31), both from North-east India, were nabbed on Tuesday. Acting on a tip-off, police arrested Guite from the spa. She revealed about Kipgen who used to contact customers online to sell the drugs. They have been booked under the NDPS Act. **ENS**

4 held in football stadium murder case

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

@Bengaluru

ASHOK Nagar police on Wednesday arrested a gang of four, including a history-sheeter from KG Halli, in connection with the murder of 'Layout' Aravind inside a football stadium three days ago.

The assailants, armed with weapons, had chased Aravind into the stadium from the BBMP ground opposite the road where he had just finished playing a football match, and

brutally hacked him to death.

A senior police officer said, "We are producing the accused before the magistrate to take them into custody and will reveal the names of the assailants on Thursday."

Three special teams were formed to track down the assailants. The teams analysed over a 100 CCTV clips to identify the accused.

According to the police, Aravind, a history-sheeter in Bharati Nagar police, had assaulted the brother of the prime

accused two weeks ago. Enraged by this, the prime accused, along with his associate, killed him to avenge the humiliation, the police officer said. Police are looking for a few more suspects involved in the murder. Investigations revealed that the gang had purchased weapons at Kalasipalya.

The incident was caught on the stadium's CCTV cameras, including the prime accused breaking open the door to the referee's room before hacking the victim to death.

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IN THE COURT OF 30th ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU C.Mis. No. 2861/2021

1) MEENABAI, aged about 41 years W/o. Late Balaji Singh, R. 2) S. B. VINAY SINGH, aged about 22 years, S/o. Late Balaji Singh, R. Both are residing at No. 57, Vinayaka Nagar, Airforce Station, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560 063. 3) Smt. VARALAKSHMI BALI B, aged about 24 years, D/o. Late Balaji Singh, R. No. 392, 1st Main Road, Hobble, V.T.C. H.A. Form Post, Bengaluru-560 024. Petitioners

The Commissioner, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, N.R. Square, Bengaluru. Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioner has filed petition for obtaining an order seeking direction to above said respondent authority to enter the Death of husband of 1st petitioner and father of petitioner No. 2 and 3 by name Sri. BALAJI SINGH S/o. Late Nandam Singh, who died on 5-12-2003 at Baptist Hospital, Rajahmundry, Bengaluru and accordingly obtain death certificate from the respondent.

If any person intends to file their objection in this matter, may appear at 11.00 am on 21-10-2021 to which date the case is posted for hearing before the Hon'ble XXX ACJM, Bengaluru.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court on this 14th day of Sept. 2021.

By order of the court, Sheristada, XXX ACJM Court, Bengaluru City.

Advocate for petitioner: SRI MANJUNDA SWAMY No. 30, 3rd Floor, 5th Main Road, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560 009.

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Notice is hereby given that our client Mr. Vinod P.B. S/o. Balachandran, Punnakattaharavill, House, Vaddakurthi Village, Pachayannur P.O., Thalappil Taluk, Thrissur Dist., Kerala - 680587 has initiated legal action against Mr. Viswambharan S/o. Sankaranarayanan, Tharayalil House, Padude P.O. Thalappil Taluk, Thrissur Dist., Kerala - 680588 for misusing and misappropriating my client's blank signed Cheques drawn on his bank account No. 51010103228631 in Corporation Bank, Bangalore Branch (Presently Union Bank), as well as blank signed papers, entrusted for doing only official acts in connection with the business of 'Sreyas Wines' Bangalore. Any person who is in illegal possession or in unauthorized custody of my client's blank Cheques of Corporation Bank, Bangalore branch including cheque No. 529352, 529353, 529354 and blank signed papers are hereby called upon to intimate and return the above mentioned documents to my client within 7 days of the publication of this notice. If any person misuses or converts my client's blank Cheques and blank papers in what so ever manner, will be doing so at their own risk only and my client will not be liable and such transactions are not binding on my client. Notice is hereby given that anybody misuses my client's blank signed Cheques and document without lawful authority shall be held liable for all legal consequences thereof. For and on behalf of Mr. Vinod P.B. S/o. Balachandran, Punnakattaharavill House, Vaddakurthi Village, Thalappil Taluk, Thrissur Dist., Kerala Mob : 9605177777, E.K. Mahesh, Advocate, K/91699, Souhrida Arcade, Wadakkanchery, Thrissur-680582, Mob: 98956268197, 7306085014, email: maheshkave@gmail.com

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निविदा सं / Tender No. NIO/Dry Dock/Sadhana/2021

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BE IT KNOWN TO ALL that our client(s) intend(s) to purchase the below-mentioned Schedule Property from: (1) Smt. Asha @ Usha D.N., (2) Sri. L. Balakrishna, and (3) Sri. L. Jaishankar who claim to have jointly inherited the same under the registered Will executed by their maternal aunt late Smt. Rangamma @ Rangannayakamma. Any person(s) / institution(s) objecting to the proposed sale or asserting any manner of lawful right, title, interest or share over the Schedule Property or part thereof is/are required to lodge their objections/claims alongwith photo-copies of documents based on which they object to the said sale or stake their claim, only by registered post with acknowledgement due, so as to reach at the below-mentioned address within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of this publication, failing which our client(s) shall proceed to purchase the Schedule Property as if there are no claims of any nature thereon, and all claims even if existing, shall be deemed to have been waived off / abandoned. Any objections/claims received after the said period, or personal representations(s) or communication by any other mode, shall not be considered / entertained / binding under any circumstances.

Further, the above-said persons have represented to our client(s) that they have lost/ misplaced all the original title deeds and municipal / revenue records pertaining to the Schedule Property pursuant to which they have lodged a complaint with the Bangalore City Police under Lost Article Report No.0024006/2021 dated 07-08-2021 and in spite of all efforts, the said documents remain / untraceable as on the date of publication of this Public Notice. Anybody who is in possession of / or finds the said original title deeds is required to hand-over the same to the said Police Station with intimation by registered post acknowledgement due to the below-mentioned address immediately without fail. Finders shall be suitably rewarded for their efforts.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
ITEM No.1: ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the property bearing Municipal No.93, PID No.28-94-33 (being portion of the property formerly bearing No.27 and later No.31 of Old Mental Hospital Road, Kempagowda Extension) situated at Hospital Road, Bengaluru in Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Ward No.28 (Chickpet Ward), measuring:
EAST to WEST: 35 feet, NORTH to SOUTH: 40 feet
Totally measuring about **1400 sq. feet** and bounded on the:
EAST by : Property bearing Municipal No.94;
WEST by : Road;
NORTH by : Kabinthra Swamy Mutt;
SOUTH by : Hospital Road.

ITEM No.2:
ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of the property bearing Municipal No.94, PID No.28-94-94 (being portion of the property formerly bearing No.27 and later No.31 of Old Mental Hospital Road, Kempagowda Extension) situated at Hospital Road, Bengaluru in Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Ward No.28 (Chickpet Ward), measuring:
EAST to WEST: 26 feet 9 inches, NORTH to SOUTH: 40 feet
Totally measuring about **1070 sq. feet** and bounded on the:
EAST by : Property belonging to Sri. Venku Sa;
WEST by : Property bearing Municipal No.93;
NORTH by : Kabinthra Swamy Mutt;
SOUTH by : Hospital Road.

ABHAY KUMAR P. JAIN & V. RAMKUMAR, Advocates
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Notice under Section 13 (2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002					
Sr No.	Loan Account No.	Type of Loan	Name of borrowers and co-borrowers	Section 13 (2) Notice Date	Outstanding amount as per Section 13 (2) Notice
1	27822155 & 33895988	Loan Against Property	1. Daniel Ravi D 2. Divya D	06.09.2021	INR 18,03,608.86/-

The following borrowers and co-borrowers availed the below mentioned secured loans from IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC First Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited). The loans of the below-mentioned borrowers and co-borrowers have been secured by the mortgage of their respective properties. As they have failed to adhere to the terms and conditions of the respective loan agreements and had become irregular, their loan were classified as NPA as per the RBI guidelines. Amounts due by them to IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited) are mentioned as per respective notices issued more particularly described in the following table and further interest on the said amounts shall also be applicable and the same will be charged as per contractual rate with effect from their respective dates.

Property Address					
All That Piece And Parcel Of Residential Property Bearing Northern Portion Of House Property No.35, In Katha No.06, Situated At Rayasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Ankela Taluk, Bangalore, And Totally Measuring: 600 Sq. Ft & And Bounded By: East To West: 40-0 Feet North To South : 15-0 Feet, East: Road, West : Private Property, North : Property No.34, South: Remaining Southern Portion Of Same Property No.35 And Then Rajakaluve And Sri. Chikkanen Jareddy's Property					

You are hereby called upon to pay the amounts to IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited) as per the details shown in the above table with contracted rate of interest thereupon from their respective dates and other costs, charges etc., within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to initiate proceedings, under Section 13 (4) and section 14 of the SARFESI Act, against the mortgaged properties mentioned hereinabove to realize the amount due to IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited). Further you are prohibited under Section 13 (13) of the said Act from transferring the said secured assets either by way of sale/lease or otherwise.

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
IDFC First Bank Limited
(erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)

Date : 16.09.2021
Place : Bangalore

HDFC

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LTD. CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916

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Regional Office : HDFC House, No.51, Kasturba Road, Bangalore - 560001. Ph : 080 41183000

Fax: 080 22275754, E-mail : customer.service@hdfc.com, Website: www.hdfc.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (Symbolic possession)

Whereas the Authorised Officer of Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited, under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice/s, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realisation.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s)	Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Description of the Property
1	Mr. Koshy Varghese (Borrower) and Mrs. Varghese Nina Susanna (Co-Borrower)	Rs.37,70,783/- in Loan Account No.367657838, Rs.93,07,103/- in Loan Account No.609159103 and Rs.1,43,13,114/- in Loan Account No.622232516 totally accruing to Rs.2,73,91,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Seventy Three Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Only as on 30.04.2021)	27.05.2021	14.09.2021	Schedule - 'A' : All that piece and parcel of residentially converted lands bearing Sy. No. 33,34,36, and 37, in all measuring 5 Acres 2.5 Guntas, situated at Whitefield Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, and Bounded on the : East By : Remaining Portion of Sy. No.34 and 24, West by: Remaining Portion of Sy. No.34 and 24, North by : Canal and Road, South by : Remaining portion of Sy. No. 33 and 38 Schedule - 'A 1' : All that piece and parcel of portion of residentially converted lands which is more fully mentioned and described in the Schedule A herein above and bearing Sy No.s 34,36 and 37, in all measuring 2 Acres 13.5 Guntas, situated at Whitefield Village, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore converted for residential use vide Official Memorandum dated 26.08.1996 in No. BDS:ALN:SR(SA)14/96-97 and Official memorandum dated 26.08.1996 in No.BDS:ALN:SR(SA)114/96-97 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore and the property is bounded on the : East By : Remaining Portion of Sy. No.34, 36 and 37, North by : Remaining Portion of Sy. No.34, 36 and 37, North by : Remaining Portion of Sy. No. 34, South by: Remaining portion of Sy. No. 38 Schedule - 'B' : 3.63% undivided share, right, title and interest in the entire piece and parcel of the property described in the Schedule A1 mentioned here in above equivalent to 3692.87 sq.ft. Schedule - 'C' : A Row House bearing No. A/04/A in the Residential Complex known as 'Nusa Dua' to be built at the cost of the purchasers of the Schedule A1 property measuring 3828 sq.ft., of super built up area consisting of Four bedrooms, kitchen, bathroom, toilet, balcony together with proportionate share in common areas, passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use with exclusive right to use and enjoy 477 sq.ft. of terrace area and 1539 sq.ft. of garden area and two covered area Car Parking spaces measuring 395.76 sq.ft. The row house will be constructed with RCC roofing and marble flooring and teakwood doors.
2	Mrs. S Sree Ravathy (Borrower), M/S Sreeva Nest LLP (Co-Borrower-1) and M/S Sreeva Healthcare Private Limited (Co-Borrower-2)	Rs.62,66,827/- in Loan Account No.639282168, Rs.2,22,06,405/- in Loan Account No.640010231 and Rs.1,36,228/- in Loan Account No.641004997 totally accruing to Rs.2,86,09,460/- (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Six Lakhs Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty Only) as on 31.03.2021	15.04.2021	14.09.2021	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.23 & 24, in portion of Property No.105, Presently BBMP Katha No. 6.9 / 105 / 2 / 24, New BBMP Katha No.786/69/105/23/24, situated Thirumanaahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 34 Feet and North to South 75 Feet, totally measuring 2550 Square Feet along with all constructions thereon and bounded as: East by : Road, West by: Private Property, North by: Property bearing Site No.25, South by: Private Property,

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realisation. However, since the borrower mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer of HDFC have taken Symbolic possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/ them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.

The borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immoveable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immoveable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd. Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets/.

Copies of the Phnachanna drawn and Inventory madeare available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower is requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

Date : 16.09.2021
Place: Bengaluru
Sd/-Authorised Officer
HDFC Ltd. under SARFESI Act, 2002

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, the original registered Sale Deed dated: 23.08.1997 registered as Document No.939/1997-98, Volume 2187, Pages at 82-85, in Book I, in the office of the SRO-Hoskote, in respect of property bearing Panchayathi Katha No.142, Shivapura Village, Mandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District belongs to Smt.Sumalatha, was lost during transit, in lieu of the same a Complaint is lodged in the Police unit Bangalore Rural (lost report No.00504602020) on 15.09.2021 Finders may return the same to the above said Police Station or Contact at the below address.

Sri Prashanth Kumar, K.V.23ACT17,
Advocates and Legal Consultants, No.365,
1st Floor, 57th "C" Cross, Near Shashyan Circle,
Opp road to ICCI Bank, Rajajinagar 3rd Block,
Bangalore-560 010.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I Smt. Shruthi R. willing to purchase the Property bearing Site No.40A, bearing Katha No.140, situated in a residential layout formed vide Conversion order dated 20/01/1996, bearing Conversion No.B.D.I.S.AAN(SR) 43-99-96, in Sy.No.83, old Sy.No.83/1, Devalahalli Village, Yeshwanthpuru Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Presently within the limits of Bruhatth Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.129, Bangalore, measuring 0.24 guntas and 1/4th of North to South: 30-00 Sq.ft. in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft. have entered into an sale agreement with respect to the said property with the Vendor named M.C.Nagarathna, W/o Sridharan S.S who has represented to be the absolute owner of the said property, in furtherance I am willing to enter into absolute sale deed for the said property with the said vendor named M.C.Nagarathna with respect to the Schedule property. Hence any person or authority having the objection for the same may within 15 days contact me at below mentioned details:

Shruthi R. W/o Chandragowda K.S.
Aged about 34 years, Residing at No.225/41,
9th Block, S.K.M. Vishweshwaraiah Layout,
Bangalore, 560 006, Mob No.988050002,
Somashekar H.G. Advocate, Mob No.9880596143

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my clients are intending to purchase the below mentioned schedule properties from its owners **Smt. Lakshmanamma** W/o, late Manjunath Reddy, H.M. Jayamma W/o K.S. Narayanappa and **Sri Gopal S/o**, late Chinnappa and family.

If anybody is having any objections, claims, interest, disputes, sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, maintenance, inheritance, possession, lease, sub lease, tenancy/sub tenancy, hypothecation, transfer or file for the above intended sale transactions, He/She or anybody may contact the undersigned with the documentary proof substantiating his/her/their objections/claims/details of disputes within 15 days from the date of this publication. Failing which my clients will proceed to complete the sale transactions with the above owners as if they are not a third party claims/objections/ disputes in respect of the schedule property and thereafter no claims/objections/disputes will be entertained.

SCHEDULE
All that piece and parcel of land bearing Sy.No: 56/1 measuring 0.24 guntas and 1/4th of North to South: 30-00 Sq.ft. in all measuring 1200 Sq.ft. along with 1 guntas of Kharab, Sy.No: 56/2 measuring 0.22 guntas, Sy.No: 57/1 measuring 0.32 guntas with 1 guntas of Kharab, Sy.No: 57/2 measuring 0.29 guntas and Sy.No: 58 measuring 1 acre 12 guntas including 0.3 guntas of Kharab totally measuring 3 acre 39 guntas including 5 guntas of Kharab situated at Byatalahalli Village, Angundandahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk and Bangalore Rural District.

Sd/- **ANIL KUMAR AND ASSOCIATES**
ANIL KUMAR, V. ADVOCATE
Office at: #80/2, Pattandur Agrahara, VenkataRamiah Road (ECG Road), Whitefield Post, Bangalore - 560086.
E-mail: aniladvocate3033@gmail.com
Mob: 8970893033

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client, SRI. MADANA MOHAN REDDY GOWINDA, is desirous of purchasing an immovable residential House property bearing BDA Site No.1295 formed in Sy.No.53/2, Situated at 7th Block, ARKAVATHI LAYOUT, Jakkur Village, Bangalore, formed by Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 12 Mtrs and North to South: 9 Mtrs, totally Measuring 108 Sq Mtrs, along with Ground Floor 900 square feet, First Floor 1000 Square feet, Second Floor 1000 Square feet and Third Floor 1000 Square feet, constructed in RCC roofed building with ventilated flooring, Jungle wood doors and windows with all civic amenities, vide BDA Katha No.BDA/RO/N/Arkavathi/1295/2015-16, dated: 19-1-2016, which is detailed in the schedule hereunder from Smt. SUDHA A.S. W/o Sri. Ramesh S., who represent that she is the absolute owner of the said property. Any person/s asserting any right, title, or claim in the schedule property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property or the documents thereof of against the owner or objections to such sale in favour of my client should write to the undersigned within SEVEN DAYS of the issuance of this public notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regards to the schedule property or any part thereof after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the immovable Residential House Property bearing BDA Site No.1295, formed in Sy.No.53/2, Situated at 7th Block, ARKAVATHI LAYOUT, Jakkur Village, Bangalore, formed by Bangalore Development Authority, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 12 Mtrs and North to South: 9 Mtrs, totally Measuring 108 Sq Mtrs, along with Ground Floor 900 square feet, First Floor 1000 Square feet, Second Floor 1000 Square feet and Third Floor 1000 Square feet, constructed in RCC roofed building with ventilated flooring, Jungle wood doors and windows with all civic amenities, vide BDA Katha No.BDA/RO/N/Arkavathi/1295/2015-16, dated: 19-1-2016, and bounded as follows:-
East by : Road, West by: Site No.1326, North by: Site No.1296, South by: Site No.1294.

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No.21/A, 14th A Main, 5th Cross, E Block, Sahakarnagar, Bangalore - 560 092.
Phone No. 9900940248
Phone No. 9177220944
Bangalore Dated: 15-09-2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is hereby informed that my client intends to purchase the scheduled property from Mrs. ANJLI BRIJESH CHANDHANI W/o Mr. Sriji Chandraiah, the title deed of the property bearing Residential Row House No.15, Super Built up Area (SBA) of 5930 Sq.ft., and Built-up Area (BUA) of 5817 Sq.ft., with Three (3) Car Parking in building known as "GODREJ-17" an undivided 2916 Sq.ft. of Land area, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property equivalent to 270.903 Mtrs of Land. Situated at HEBBAL VILLAGE, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, which is more fully described in the Schedule below. The above-named person has represented that she is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property mentioned below.

Any person / institution having any right, title, claim or interest of any nature in the Schedule Property or any objections of any manner whatsoever to the above sale transaction, are hereby called upon to notify the undersigned and file their objections/claims along with supporting documents, within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice at the address mentioned below. If no such claim is received, it would be deemed that the above mentioned owner has a clear and marketable title to the schedule property specified below and that others do not have any claim over the same and/or claims if any will be deemed to have been waived. Any claims raised thereafter, shall not be entertained nor binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property bearing Residential Row House No.15, BBMP Khata No. 13747/4-B/14/150, Ward No. 07, (7 - Byrappanagar), Corner of 4 Bed Rooms, Hall Kitchen, having basement (Consists of Two Rooms), Ground, 3rd Floor and terrace on the 3rd floor, along with the Super Built up Area (SBA) of 5930 Sq.ft., and Built-up Area (BUA) of 5817 Sq.ft., with Three (3) Car Parking in building known as "GODREJ-17" (inclusive of the inner measurements of the said unit) at the Floor Level, including the Projections and balconies, as measured by the thickness of the wall, but not including the common areas shared with other residential units and the Row House and an undivided 2916 Sq.ft. of Land area, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property equivalent to 270.903 Mtrs of Land. Situated at HEBBAL VILLAGE, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, BOUNDED ON : East by : Row House No. 14, West by : Row House No.16, North by : Walk way, South by : Open Space.

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[See rule 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The South Indian Bank Ltd. under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice dated 04.06.2021 u/s. 13(2) of the Act in the accounts : **M/s. M V R Gas and M/s. MVR Chemicals and Oils**, both accounts with Branch Bangalore Peenya Industrial Area, calling upon the Borrower and Guarantors viz. (1) **Sri B V Sadanand, S/o Venkataswamy Reddy**, Proprietor of M/s. MVR Gas and Proprietor of M/s MVR Chemicals and Oils, At Sy. No. 400, Sarjapura Attilibet Main Road, Sarjapura Hobli, Bangalore - 562 125, (2) **Smt. S. L Manjappa, W/o. B V Sadanand**, (3) **Smt B S Sahana Reddy, D/o. B V Sadanand**, Parties (1) to (3) at No. 801, MVR Nilaya, 09th Main Road, 3rd Block, Near Sevassadan Koramangala, Bangalore- 560 034, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.5,86,96,161.21** (Rupees Five Crore Eighty Six Lakh Ninety Six Thousand One Hundred and Sixty One and twenty one paise only) as on 03/09/2021 under loan accounts of MVR Chemicals and Oils and **Rs.6,22,52,910.50** (Rupees Six Crore Twenty Two Lakh Fifty Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Ten and fifty paise only) under loan accounts of MVR Gas, aggregating to the tune of **Rs.12,09,49,071.71** (Rupees Twelve Crore Nine Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Seventy One and seventy one paise only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower / guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower / guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security and Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this 14th day of September, 2021.

The borrower / guarantors in particular and public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the South Indian bank Limited for an amount of **Rs.6,11,10,718.90** as on 13/09/2021 under loan account of MVR Chemicals and Oils and **Rs.6,48,87,487.96** as on 13/09/2021 under loan accounts of MVR Gas, aggregating to the tune of **Rs.12,59,98,186.86** and interest and cost thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Item No. 1: All that piece and parcel of Apartment No. 301, on the 3rd Floor of Block No. A8 in the building 'Paramount Pilatus', admeasuring 1215 sq.ft. of super built up area with undivided share of 518 sq.ft. along with share in club house, drive way, common services area including covered car park on the residentially converted land bearing Municipal No. 1358/45/2/45/3, Sy. No. 45/2 admn, 1 acre 36 guntas and Sy. No. 45/3 admn, 2 acres 3 guntas, totally admeasuring 3 Acres 39 Guntas, situated at Arakere village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, owned by Smt. S.L Manjappa vide Sale Deed No. 7636/2011-12 dated 05.12.2011 of SRO Bommanahalli, Bangalore and the entire plot having 3 acres and 39 guntas bounded on the North : Land in Sy. No. 45/1 and 85/2, East : Land in Sy. No. 85/1, South : Water Channel and 80 feet Road and West : Road, This security is under pari passu charge with the Federal Bank Ltd.

Item No. 2: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Sy. No. 400, E. Khatha No. 150200102300102680, Property No. 2430/1122 measuring 6 Acres 2 Guntas, along with buildings and other usufructs and improvements thereon situated at Sarjapura village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, presently under the limits of Sarjapura Grama Panchayat, owned by Sri B V Sadanand vide Gift Deed No. 4580/99-2000 dated 31.12.1999 of SRO Anekal and bounded on the North : Land belonging to Kadda Agrahara, Rajashekhara Reddy, East : Sarjapura - Anekal Main Road, South : Property of G.Ramanatharao and Heelaballi Ramaiah and others and West : S.A Vanarajamma and S S Appanreddy's Land, This security is under pari passu charge with the Federal Bank Ltd.

Date : 14.09.2021 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Place : Bengaluru The South Indian Bank Ltd.

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A notice is hereby served on the undermentioned borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s) (here in after referred as defaulting obligants) on the loans availed by them from the Bank being classified as Non Performing Asset (NPA). Notice/s under section 13(2) read with rule 3(1) demanding repayment of the dues within 60 days as per the terms of the powers conferred to the undersigned under section 13(12) of the SARFAESI Act 2002 were already sent through post to the last known address(es) but have returned un-served. Hence, this notice is served on all the defaulting obligants by way of paper publication as a substituted service.

The detail of the defaulting obligants, amount due and security offered towards repayment of borrowed facility(ies) are as under:-

Sl. No.	A) Defaulting Obligor's / Mortgagee and Guarantor Name and Address B) Branch (code)	Demand notice date, facility, Account No and O/s Amount (date of O/s + further interest, charges and cost)	Description of the immovable property charged to the Bank by way of equitable mortgage
1	A) Borrower : 1. Smt Fareeda Begum, W/o Late Syed Arif Fash residing at No 66, Thimmaiah Road, Bharathi Nagar, Bangalore 560001. Guarantor : 2. Smt Shabeena Ahmed, G/o Raqeeb Ahmed residing at No 19, Coles Road, Frazier Town, Bangalore 560005. B) Electronics City (123820)	10.05.2021, THL : 1238300521765, Rs 34,33,138.00 (31.03.2021)	All that piece and parcel of the residential premises along with the building and fixtures standing thereon and bearing Old No 281, New BMP No 13, PID No 80.16:13, situated formerly at Banchoocherry, presently Nehrupuram, BBMP Ward No 80, Bangalore measuring on the East by : 37 feet 7 inches, West by : 37 feet 1 1/2 inches, North by : 71 feet 2 inches & South by : 71 feet 2 inches and bounded on the East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Private Property & South by : Private Property.
2	A) Borrower : 1. M/s S L N Home Appliances, situated at Bhavani Road, Near Srinivasa Chitra Mandir, Hebbagodi, Bangalore 560099. Guarantor : 2. Shri K M Manjunatha, S/o Mariyappa, Residing at No 1/13, Konappana Agrahara, Bangalore 560100. Guarantor : 3. Shri TR Manjunatha Reddy, S/o Shri Rama Reddy Residing at No 2, Manjodaya Nilaya, Tirupalya, Bommasandra Post, Bangalore 560100 B) Electronics City (123820)	10.05.2021, CC : 1238213001650, Rs 19,64,774.00 (31.03.2021)	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing No 292, Form 9 Janjar No 292, Hebbagodi Village, Attilibet, Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District measuring 2310 Square Feet and bounded on the East by : Property of Narayana Reddy and Krishna Reddy, West by : Property of Muniyappa, North by : Property of Channappa & South by : Government Property.
3	A) Borrower : 1. Shri Syed Anwarul Haq, S/o Shri M Syed Mahzarul Haq & 2. Shri Syed Najmul Haq, S/o Shri M Syed Mahzarul Haq both residing at No 38/1, Sultanji Gunta Road, Bamboo Bazaar, Opp Madina Masjid, Shivaji Nagar, Bangalore 560051. Guarantor : 3. Shri Zabiulla, S/o K Abdul Kareem - residing at No 142, St John Church Road, Bangalore 560005. B) Electronics City (123820)	10.05.2021, THL : 1238300518949, Rs 5,86,154.00 (31.03.2021)	All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat bearing No T-04 admeasuring 900sqft of super built up area, with one car parking available in still level situated at "GOODWILL MANOR" Apartment, New BBMP No 38/1-11, Sultanjigunta, Civil Station, BBMP Ward No 79 along with undivided share of 235.80sqft in the land measuring on the East to West : 92 feet 6 inches, North : 42 feet and South : 41 feet 7 inches & bounded on East by : Private Property, West by : Western Half Portion of Property No 38, North by : Lane leading to Sultanjeegunta Road & South by : Corporation Land.
4	A) Borrower : 1. Shri Srinivasa R, S/o Shri D V Ramaswamy Naidu & 2. Smt Bhagyalakshmi V, W/o Shri Srinivasa R, both residing at No 820, 5th Cross, 1st C Main Road, Near Rama Mandira, L N Colony, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore 560022. B) Jayanagar (099010)	17.05.2021, THL : 09906010501691, Rs 34,59,937.00 (31.03.2021)	All that piece and parcel of residential Flat bearing No 101 on the First Floor, north facing in "Sai Ram Residency" Apartment containing 3 bedrooms measuring 1260sqft super built up with one roof covered car parking space in the still floor with vitrified flooring and undivided share of land measuring 350sqft situated at Municipal Corporation No 3 (PID No 4-111-3), BDA Site Nos 1079 and 1089, 5th A Main Road, Gokul 1st Stage, 2nd Phase, Mathikeri, Bangalore, 560054, BBMP Ward No 4, and bounded on the East by : Road, West by : Property No 1086/A, North by : Property No 1080 & 1085 and South by : Property No 1078 & 1087.
5	A) Borrower : 1. Shri P Srinivasa Rao, 2. Smt P Rajeshwari Devi both residing at Flat 103, M S Enclave Apartments, Municipal Khata No 26, Link Road, Kodihalli, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore 560008. Also at I-C-E-301, ISRO Qtrs, Domlur, Bangalore 560071. Guarantor : 3. V N Misale residing at D4-DOS Colony, Indira Nagar, Bangalore. B) Tippasandra (098510)	21.05.2021, THL : 09856041001039, Rs 90,231.64 and THL : 09856041000476, Rs 7,57,363.95 TOTAL : Rs.4,77,595.59 (31.03.2021)	All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat No 103, First Floor, "M S ENCLAVE" Apartments super built up area 930sqft along with 283.34sqft of undivided share of land, situated at Municipal Khata No 26, Link Road, Kodihalli, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore and the Land boundaries as :- East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Private Property and South by : Private Property.
6	A) Borrower : 1. Shri Suri Setty Gopikrishnan, S/o Shri Venkateshwarlu, residing at E-2, Vaibhav Residency, 4th Cross, Kaggadasapur Main Road, C V Raman Nagar Bangalore 560093. Also at D-4, Fourth Floor, "PRADHAM HOMES", 6th B Cross, Kaggadasapura Main Road, C V Raman Nagar, Bangalore 560093. B) Tippasandra (098510)	25.05.2021, THL : 09856040000720, Rs 3,27,353.86 and THL : 09856010000730, Rs 6,54,979.86 TOTAL : Rs 9,82,333.72 (31.03.2021)	All that piece and parcel of Residential Flat bearing No D-4, 4th Floor, at "PRADHAM HOMES" measuring 2070sqft super built up area along with undivided share of 664sqft of total land measuring 7200 Square Feet situated at 23.24 and 25 BBMP Khata No 298/2-25, 6th B Cross, Versova Layout, Kaggadasapura Main Road, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore 560093 bounded on the East by : Road, West by : Site No 22, North by : Property of Erappa & South by : Road.
7	A) Borrower : 1. Smt Girija Reddy* and 2. Shri M Sreehareesha both residing at Flat 404, MAA Brindavan Apartment, Sitarum Palya, Back Side of SAP Lab, White Field, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore 560048. and also at Flat A-2, Kalabasani Co op Society, 808, Shivaji Nagar, PUNE - 411004. Guarantor : 3. Smt Aparna Katta, W/o Shri Sreehareesha residing at Plot No 20, 1st Floor, Guru Nivasa, TLCH Road, Marathahalli, Bangalore 560037. B) Domlur (754700)	31.05.2021, THL : 754700NOC0000110, Rs 31,82,005.00 (31.03.2021)	All that piece and parcel of residential property bearing Flat 404, 4th Floor, MAA Brindavan Apartments, Sy No 11/6, Old Sy No 11/2, BBMP Khata No 167, Sonnaha Hall, Seetharama Palya Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore 560048 having Super Built up area of 1230sqft with car parking in still along with 378.84sqft undivided share of land and bounded on East by : SAP International, West by : 15 feet wide Road, North by : 45 feet PWD Road and South by : Property of Bheemavarapu SyamaSundara Reddy.

Abbreviation used: CC: Cash credit; TL-Term loan; THL-Term Housing Loan and ODHL-Overdraft in Housing Loan

* Notice is already received by Post by the Addressee.

The attention of the above said defaulting persons are hereby invited to the provisions of section 13(8) of the said act in respect of the time available to them for redemption of the secured assets failing which, further action under section 13(4) of the said act will be initiated. They shall not transfer or alienate the assets by way of sale, lease, mortgage, extinguish rights in favor of their family members/third party or to create any further encumbrance without written prior consent of the Bank under section 13(13) of the said act

If the said Borrower(s)/Obligor(s)/Guarantor(s) fail to make payments to Punjab National Bank as afore said, the Bank may proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks, costs and consequences of the Borrower/obligants. For further details, please contact the Authorized Officer at the above said address.

Date : Bangalore
Place : 15.09.2021

FOR PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
(SECURED CREDITOR)
Sd/- AUTHORIZED OFFICER

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

e-TENDER NOTICE FOR THE SUPPLY OF STORES No-E-32/2021
Firms are requested to Login to <http://www.ireps.gov.in-ogin-E.Tendergoods> & services (new) and quote against these tenders. Manual quotations will not be entertained for these tenders. **Closing time for all tender 14:30 hours.**

Sl. No.	Tender No.	Description	Due Date
1	26212697	Sub kit POH-2A (uncommon items)	20-SEP-2021
2	04210028	BOGIE BOLSTER FOR LHB COACHES	21-SEP-2021
3	04210950A	ANTI ROLL BAR TO FIAT BOGIES OF LHB	21-SEP-2021
4	14210057	BRUSHES, PAINTS & VARNISHES. FLAT	22-SEP-2021
5	15210088	SHEET IRON CABLE TERMINATION BOX	23-SEP-2021
6	04210956	BALL JOINT TRACTION LEVER	24-SEP-2021
7	04210963	PRIMARY VERTICAL DAMPER	24-SEP-2021
8	06215019B	4.5 KW UNDERSLUNG CONSTANT	24-SEP-2021
9	11210304	BRUSHLESS ALTERNATOR 4.5 KW	24-SEP-2021
10	01210048	PAINT ALUMINIUM FOR GENERAL	28-SEP-2021
11	04210945	Traction Centre for Fiat Bogie of LHB	28-SEP-2021
12	04210961	YAW DAMPER FOR FIAT BOGIE OF LHB	28-SEP-2021
13	04210960A	AXLE BOX PIVOT BUSH	29-SEP-2021
14	06211140	PRE-LAMINATED SINGLE SHADED	29-SEP-2021
15	11211008	4.5 KW UNDERSLUNG CONSTANT	29-SEP-2021
16	14214388	Brushes,Paints & Varnishes,Flat size 100mm	29-SEP-2021
17	04210969C	SECONDARY VERTICAL DAMPER	01-OCT-2021
18	06215034A	Operating Microscope	01-OCT-2021
19	04211047A	10 INCH BRAKE CYLINDER	01-OCT-2021
20	04210949	ANTI ROLL BAR FORK FOR FIAT BOGIE	04-OCT-2021
21	04211161	Maintenance Kit -Off for earthing equipment	04-OCT-2021
22	04210951	BEARING TO SKF PL No GE 70 TXE 2LS	05-OCT-2021
23	04211022	BRAKE CALIPER UNIT	05-OCT-2021
24	44210233	ADAPTER (NARROW JAW) FOR CASNUB	07-OCT-2021
25	11210383	FIRE RETARDANT LOW TENSION (FRLT)	08-OCT-2021
26	11210379	SOLID CORE PORCELAIN STAY ARM	08-OCT-2021
27	44210275	COUPLER BODY WITH SHANK WEAR	08-OCT-2021
28	78211214	V Groove Axle Pulley Suitable for 16.25 ton	20-SEP-2021
29	78211222	Axle Box Pivot Bush to Fiat Bogie of LHB	22-SEP-2021
30	78211218	660mm Length air brake hose coupling	24-SEP-2021
31	78211226	Adapter (Narrow Jaw)	27-SEP-2021
32	78215845	4.5 KW under slung constant voltage	30-SEP-2021
33	78215850	Brushless Alternator 4.5 KW, 110V DC	30-SEP-2021
34	82216001RC	Signalling cable 30 C x 1.5 sq. mm	23-SEP-2021
35	82216005RC	Signalling cable 12 C x 1.5 sq. mm	30-SEP-2021
36	82216002RC	6 Quad telecom cable	08-OCT-2021
37	82216007RC	Signalling cable 2 C x 2.5 sq. mm	13-OCT-2021
38	82216004RC	Signalling cable 19 C x 1.5 sq. mm	02-OCT-2021
39	67215194A	Distributor valve including adaptor with isolating cock pipe	30-SEP-2021

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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

I, the undersigned as the authorized officer of M/s IndoStar Capital Finance LTD, hereby give the following notice to the below mentioned Borrower (S) / Co-Borrower (S) / Guarantor (S) who have grossly failed to discharge their legal liability i.e. defaulted in the repayment of the amount i.e. principal as well as the interest and other charges accrued there-on for Loan (S) Against Property (S) advanced to them by M/s IndoStar Capital Finance LTD and as a consequence there-of, the Loan (S) has become Non-Performing Assets (N.P.A's) of the company. Accordingly, Notice (S) dated - 26th Aug 2021 were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and relies there-to, on their last Known addresses through India Post on 27th Aug 2021 & 28th Aug 2021, however the same have been returned un-served & Residence vacated and it is apprehended that the parties mentioned here in are avoiding the service of the same, as such the Borrower (S) / Co-Borrower (S) / Guarantor (S) named below are hereby intimated by way of this publication notice to clear their entire outstanding dues for the loan facilities availed and also for which securities have been created by them as detailed under:-

Name of the Borrower / Co-Borrower & Address	Description of the Schedule Property	Notice Date & Amount (\$)
Borrower/Co - Borrower – 1. Mr. M Rama Rao Residing at No. 3208, 6 th C Main, 13 th Cross, HAL 2 nd stage, Indiranagar, Bengaluru – 560038. 2. Mr. M Rama Rao Flat No. 101, SaiSudha Karan, Sree Residency, Karanasree Layout, Medahalli Flyover, Medahalli, Bidarahalli, Bengaluru – 560049. 3. Mrs. Male Chennamma Flat No. 101, SaiSudha Karan, Sree Residency, Karanasree Layout, Medahalli Flyover, Medahalli, Bidarahalli, Bengaluru – 560049. 4. Mrs. Male Chennamma Residing at No. 3208, 6 th C Main, 13 th Cross, HAL 2 nd stage, Indiranagar, Bengaluru – 560038. 5. M/s. Showrya Biohydro Labs Second floor No. 1, Brindavan Nagar, 12 th main road, SBM Colony, Opp. to J.P. Park, Bengaluru – 560054.	SCHEDULE PROPERTY – 1 All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat No. 101, SaiSudha Karana Sree Residency, Karanasree Layout, Medahalli Flyover, Medahalli, Bidarahalli, Bengaluru – 560049 admeasuring 1221 sqft & 1 car parking space in the basement & undivided share of property measuring 293 sqft.	26 Aug 2021 ₹50,26,665/- (Rupees Fifty Lakh Twenty Six Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty Five Only) Loan account no - LSBGL0319-200003479
Borrower/Co - Borrower – 1. M/s. B Byrappa'S Silks And SareesB- 15, Mohan Building, Chickpet, Bengaluru – 560053. 2. Mr. Rajesh Byrappa B-15, Mohan Building, Chickpet, Bengaluru – 560053. 3. Mr. Rajesh Byrappa No. 4 & 4/ 1, First Floor, Basappa Cross Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru- 560027. 4. Mr. Byrappa Dinesh B-15, Mohan Building, Chickpet, Bengaluru – 560053. 5. Mr. Byrappa Dinesh No. 4 & 4/ 1, First Floor, Basappa Cross Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru- 560027. 6. Mrs. ByrappaBhagyalakshmi B-15, Mohan Building, Chickpet, Bengaluru – 560053. 7. Mrs. ByrappaBhagyalakshmi No. 4 & 4/ 1, First Floor, Basappa Cross Road, Shanthinagar, Bengaluru- 560027.	All that piece and parcel of the ground floor portion of the property bearing no. 4, Basappa Cross road in Shanthinagar, Bengaluru – 560027, exclusive of the main gate situate in the western side leading to the first floor and the garage situate in the south west corner, bounded on the East by : Late. B. Byrappa's property West by : The passage in property no. 4, leading to garage on the 1st floor and site no. 5 now belonging to Sri. Abdul rashid. North by : 30 ft road, Basappa Cross road, South by : Site no. 7, belonging to Sri. Gonslaves in sy. No. 30/2 North to South on eastern side 81½ft. and on the western side 79½ft. East to West : 59 ft. only, to hear sold is 4749½ sq. ft. and shown in blue colour in the sketch accompanying these presents.	26 Aug 2021 ₹ 2,90,46,455/- (Rupees Two Crore Ninety Lakh Forty Six Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Five Only) Loan account no - LSBGL05118-190002502

Panel to look into illegal sand mining

NGT hears petition that cited TNIE's report on rampant mining taking place in Chennai

NIRUPAMA VISWANATHAN
@ Chennai

THE Southern Bench of the National Green Tribunal on Wednesday constituted a committee to look into the illegal sand mining from the Cooum river close to the Marina in Chennai. The tribunal was hearing a petition that cited TNIE's exclusive report on the mining taking place in the heart of the city.

The bench comprising judicial member Justice K Ramakrishnan and expert member K Satyagopal said the committee

will have a senior official from the regional office of the Ministry of Environment and Forest, a senior official of the Tamil Nadu Coastal Zone Management Authority, Chennai District Collector, Superintending Engineer from the Public Works Department (PWD), and the City Police Commissioner or another officer recommended by him. The committee shall submit a report before October 8.

The committee is to investigate whether sand was mined illegally, who used the sand, what

action has been initiated, and also to assess the environmental impact of such an operation in the area. The PWD, State Coastal Management Authority, and the collector have also been asked to submit independent reports. They must conduct surprise inspections, including at night, the bench directed.

The petition by MR Thiyagarajan, president of Meenava Thanthai KR Selvaraj Kumar Meenava Nala Sangam, stated that the large scale illegal mining of sand from the

area had caused severe degradation to the Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) and to the ecosystem, thereby posing a risk to the fishing community's livelihood. The petitioner attached the TNIE article on the issue that was published on September 7.

The petition also stated that the alleged violators have caused degradation of sand dunes, resulting in several deep pits, and the same caused destruction and alteration to the CRZ. "The extraction of sea sand by the alleged violators are in contravention of the rules and regulations," petition said.



CURIOUS CHILD

A toddler tries to feed deer at the Tripunithura Hill Palace in Kochi on Wednesday. Hill Palace, museum and other facilities at the tourist spot opened for visitors on Monday after prolonged closure due to the pandemic | A SAMESH

Govt reclaims 77 acres in Ramanagara

ENS @ Bengaluru

RAMANAGARA district administration has taken possession of 77 acres of government land near Bidadi, on which a private firm was developing a golf course and other facilities.

Ramanagara Deputy Commissioner Dr Rakesh Kumar said that they have taken possession of the land and are fixing the boundary. "The government had fixed a price for the land and as the company had not paid the amount, they took possession of the land," the officer said.

The state government had fixed Rs 982 crore for 77 acres of land on which Eagleton Golf Resort was being developed.

EXPRESS IMPACT

Bus services resume in Kokkaragundi

Gadag : After The New Indian Express published a story titled 'Kids walk 5km, cross two streams...all for studies', the public transport corporation officials resumed bus services in Kokkaragundi village on Wednesday. Students were delighted to see the buses. "I am happy as I can reach school on time now. It takes an hour to reach school by foot," a student said.



University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering celebrated Engineer's Day at their KR Circle and Jnanabharathi campus on Wednesday. Bangalore University Vice Chancellor Prof Venugopal K R paid floral tribute to the bust of Sir M Visvesvaraya.

AP govt constitutes new TTD Trust Board

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Vijayawada

THE Andhra Pradesh government on Wednesday constituted the new Board of Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) Trust on Wednesday.

In an order issued late in the night, the government named 28 members, including four ex-officio members. The new trust will have Bhumana Karunakar Reddy, MLA, and S Sudhakar, Chairman of Brahmin Welfare Corporation, as special invitees.

The government had recently appointed YV Subba Reddy as the Board Chairman for a second consecutive term.

Dr Bandi Parthasaradhi Reddy, Chairman and Managing Director of Hetero Group, Dr Jupalli Ramswara Rao, Chairman, My

Home Group, N Srinivasan, Managing Director of India Cements and former BCCI president, and MLAs Burra Madhusudan Yadav, Kiliveti Sanjeevaiah and Katsani Rambhupal Reddy are among the members. Vemireddy Prashanthi Reddy is the lone woman member.

Principal Secretary, Revenue (Endowments) Department, Commissioner, Endowments Department, Chairman, Tirupati Urban Development Authority, Executive Officer, TTD, are the ex-officio members.

The special invitees will not have voting rights while passing resolutions, but will enjoy the same protocol as of Trust members. The government has given adequate representation to neighbouring states in the Board, while several former members have been retained.

TECHIES RELUCTANTLY RETURN TO WORK IN HYD

R PRIDHVI RAJ @ Hyderabad

NOW it is time for the IT employees to return to the salt mines. They are reluctantly getting ready to switch back to work from office culture which they had almost forgotten. About 40 percent of the six lakh employees working in more than 5,000 IT and ITES companies in Hyderabad who have moved out to different places in the country are now slowly returning to the capital city as Covid-19 is on the wane.

Leading IT companies including HCL Tech, Wipro, TCS, Infosys, and several others have either asked or getting ready to ask their employees to bid adieu to WFH and get back to the routine of working from the office.



According to the senior officials in the IT department, at present, about 20 percent of the employees are working from the office and the figure is gradually improving. "There is no threat of Covid-19. It is now on the wane. A majority number of the IT employee has been vaccinated, at least once. The economy is up and running. It is time for them to return to work from the office," one official said.

The IT sector and the government remained equally worried during the two phases of the pandemic over the impact it would have on the dependent informal sector that had almost died a natural death. "Like the government, the IT sector is also worried about the small business like cab services, security and housekeeping staff who

had been thrown out of employment. They are our stakeholders. Though the IT sector has not been affected by the pandemic since the work went on with employees working from home, it is always better if they work from the office. One IT employee supports 2.5 persons in the informal sector. If we want to grow, the ecosystem also has to grow," Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association (HYSEA) president Bharani Kumar Aroll says.

The sector discounts the theory that the companies find it more convenient if the employees work from home as they can save money on overheads. "This is not the way the companies look at the pandemic-induced spin-off development. They have a huge infrastructure in place and they want to use it," he said.



Son spotted with MLA dad's official vehicle

Athani: Videos and photographs of Raibag MLA Duryodhana Aihole's son using his father's official car have become viral on social media. Citing violation of law, many demanded legal action against the MLA for blatantly allowing his son Arun to use the government car. According to sources, Arun has been using his father's vehicle for several days.

Cops identify victims of Electronics City accident

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE duo who died after being tossed over from the elevated flyover onto the ground when a speeding car rammed their bike on Tuesday night, have been identified as BPO employees Preetham Kumar (30) and his friend Krithika Raman.

After examining the CCTV footage of the incident, Electronic City police booked the 23-year-old car driver, Nithish P, for reckless driving and causing the death of the duo.

"Kumar had borrowed the Royal Enfield Bullet from one of his friends, and took Krithika for a joyride. He had parked the two-wheeler at the lobby on the flyover near Singasandra Junction and was talking to Krithika when the overspeeding car, driven by Nithish, rammed the bike and the duo was hurled down from the flyover to their death.

The car was left dangling on the edge of flyover," a senior police officer said.

Preetham worked as a quality control manager at a private firm in Marathahalli and was residing with his friends in a flat. His parents stay in JP Nagar.

Krithika was a team leader at a private firm in Mahadevapura, and hailed from Chennai. The two had been friends for eight years. Their respective parents received the bodies on Wednesday.

Nithish is an engineering student and a resident of Bommasandra. He sustained severe injuries and his condition is said to

be critical. Preliminary investigation revealed that Nithish was driving alone and was rash and negligent, clocking over 120km/hour when he crashed into the two-wheeler. He was returning home after attending cricket practice at a private academy, the police officer added.

"We have sent the blood samples of Nithish for forensic analysis to determine whether he was under the influence of alcohol, or any other toxic substances," said B R Ravikanth Gowda, Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic).

ANDHRA PRADESH POWER GENERATION CORPORATION LTD
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NTT No: 6100085/APGENCO/2021

APGENCO invites tender for the work of "Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Tubular Lead Acid Battery Banks 24V (2Vx12), 1200AH and 360V (2Vx180), 300AH for Unit-3 & Unit-4 of RTTP under buy back scheme of existing Batteries" through APGENCO e-Procurement platform. Estimated Value of Work: Rs.1,03,76,000/- . Bid Schedule available Date & Time: From 18.30 Hrs on 14.09.2021 onwards. Bid Submission Closing Date & Time: up to 13.00 Hrs on 07.10.2021. For further details visit website: www.apgenco.gov.in or <https://etender.apgenco.gov.in/irj/portal>

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Dated 13/09/2021.

NOTIFICATION

Sub : Recruitment of Officers Posts (Tenure basis) in the Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga..Reg.

Applications are invited in the prescribed proforma from the eligible candidates for filling up the following officers posts (tenure basis) in the Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

OFFICER POSTS
(Academic Level 14 Scale of Pay : Rs. 1,44,200-2,18,200 and admissible allowances)

Sl.No.	Name of the Post	No. of post
1.	Director of Extension	1
2.	University Librarian	1

The Candidates who are interested to apply for the said posts may refer the official website of KSNUAHS, Shivamogga, and can download the application and information from the official website: www.uahs.edu.in for further details and apply for the posts as per terms and conditions of KSNUAHS, Shivamogga. Filled in application together with allied enclosures should be submitted in an envelope superscribing on it application for Officers Posts to the Administrative Officer, Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga-577 204 on or before 04.10.2021 at 5.00 PM. The candidates staying abroad may submit the application along with the relevant documents and the prescribed fee in foreign currency.

By Order,
Sd/- (Girijesh G K) Administrative Officer
Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences Shivamogga
DIPR/SMG/No.50-09/zenkar/2021-22

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CIN : U8510KA1970SG001919

No: KPCL/2021-22/OW/WORK_IDENT/11667 Dated: 09.09.2021

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- 1) Venue, Date and time of Pre-Bid Meeting DUDC, Dc Office Bagalkot: 27.09.2021 at 4.30PM
- 2) Last date and time for receiving queries/ Clarifications : 04.11.2021 at 4.30 PM
- 3) Last date and time Receipt of Tenders Date : 04.11.2021 at 5.00 PM
- 4) Date and time of Opening of Technical Bid : 05.11.2021 at 5.30PM
- 5) Date and time of Opening of the Financial Bid : 03.12.2021 at 11.30 AM
- 6) Bids Validity Period (days) : 180.

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Publication of Notice regarding possession of property u/s 13(4) of SARFAESI Act 2002

Notice is hereby given under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, a demand notice was issued on the dates mentioned against each account and stated hereinafter calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of power conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said Act on the dates mentioned against each account.

The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the STATE BANK OF INDIA for an amount and interest thereon.

Name of Borrowers & address	Name of Owner of property etc.	Description of the property mortgaged/ charged	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount Outstanding
1.Shri Shiva Shankar, S/o Shri Muniraju, Akash Villa Apartments, Flat E-3, 3rd floor, 3rd main, 12th A cross, J.P.Nagar, Bangalore - 560078.	Shri. Shiva Shankar S/o Shri. Muniraju	Schedule A Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy.No.223 (Old Sy.No.173) of the converted land to a total extent of 2 acres, vide Conversion order bearing No.ALN(A) (A).SR-107/2010-11 dated 17.03.2010, situated at Indible Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, and bounded on: East by: Sarjapura Main Road, West by: Sy.No.173, North by: Sy.Nos.180 & 181, South by: Sai Layout.	02.06.2021	08.09.2021	Rs.4406876.00 (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Six only) as on 08.09.2021 and further interest from 09.09.2021 costs, etc., thereon.
2.Shri Shiva Shankar, M/s 4S Interiors & Furnitures, No.12/6, Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Electronic City Post, Bangalore - 560100.	Shri. Shiva Shankar	Schedule B Property: 372 Sq.Ft undivided share, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.			
3.Shri Shiva Shankar, Flat No. A-121, A Block, SIGMA Serenity Apartments, Attibele, Sarjapur Main Road, Indlabele Village, Bangalore - 562107	Shri. Shiva Shankar	Schedule C Property: Two-Bedroom-Apartment bearing Flat No. A-121, in A Block, now bearing Bidaraguppe Grampanchayath e-katha No 150200100200320728, Flat No.248/A-121, on the first Floor of the apartment building known as "SIGMA SERENITY" constructed on the Schedule A Property with Super Built-up area of 1,007 Sq.ft, (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area) together with one covered car parking space in the basement.			

Date : 08. 09. 2021
Place: Hosur

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ASSET OWNERSHIP DATA A STARK REMINDER OF INEQUALITY

A National Sample Survey report on ownership of assets has revealed that about 10% of Indians own over 50% of the total assets, with the skew greater in urban areas. The asset divide is the greatest in Delhi, with J&K being the lowest. This government survey falls more or less in line with reports prepared by NGOs and other agencies, which have stressed that while poverty is declining and growth opportunities have increased, the income and asset distribution is uneven. According to Forbes, the number of billionaires increased from 102 to 140 last year but the number of poor increased during the pandemic by about 75 million. A World Bank report has stated that while India accounts for 17.8% of the world's population, it had 20.17% of the total number of people living in poverty in 2017. All these figures are stark reminders that income and asset accumulation are grossly imbalanced. This unequal data also plays out on the ground. This newspaper recently reported about how luxury, high-end hotels in popular hill resorts such as Srinagar, Gulmarg, Pahalgam, Manali, Shimla and Shillong were all overbooked during the summers while budget hotels were starved of tourist occupancy. The economic slowdown in recent years that was made worse by the Covid outbreak has badly affected budget travellers, with many giving up on holidays as they have become a luxury.

There is no denying that development has been more inclusive now. Healthcare, education and jobs have opened up for all sections of the people, irrespective of caste, creed or gender. Migration has also thrown up opportunities for the rural poor, particularly in terms of jobs. But it also cannot be denied that gross inequalities exist even 75 years after independence. Access to quality health services, schools and colleges are still heavily tilted in favour of the rich. This does not offer a level playing field and poses huge challenges for the Centre and policymakers. An unequal society already fractured along caste, religion and region can only breed and aggravate social tensions, which vested interests can easily exploit. There are enough mischief makers, anti-social elements and inimical forces out there to light the powder keg.

IDOL IMMERSION CONUNDRUM IN T'GANA

The Telangana government has been caught unawares by the High Court's order proscribing immersion of Ganesha idols made of plaster of Paris in Hussain Sagar Lake in Hyderabad on the grounds that it would lead to pollution. The order was issued just a day ahead of Ganesh Chaturthi. This has already set in motion the nine-day nimajjan festivities that climax on September 19. This time, about one lakh idols of various sizes—the tallest is Khairatabad's 40 feet-high Vinayaka—are present in mandapams.

The government grew jittery due to the difficulty in implementing the order as any attempt to prevent immersion would ruffle Hindu sentiments, which KCR can ill-afford as he is already being criticised by some as biased towards the minorities. Also, there is no time to make alternative arrangements for the immersion of big plaster of Paris idols. The 25 baby ponds created in Hyderabad for the immersion of idols would be of no use as they lack the depth needed. Peeved over by the High Court rejection of its review appeal, the state government has now approached the Supreme Court with a Special Leave Petition.

To be fair, the High Court was only trying to uphold laws that protect lakes from pollution, but by giving practically no time to the state government to make alternative arrangements, it is, in fact, allowing the inevitable to happen—immersion of the plaster of Paris idols by the devotees as the state cannot do anything about it at this hour. The state too has remained lenient even though there was a growing concern over the pollution of the water body. In 2013 itself, the then AP High Court had imposed restrictions on the immersion of idols. And the Central Pollution Control Board banned the practice of immersion of plaster of Paris idols in 2020. Perhaps the best way to protect the lake and also the tradition of immersion could have been to allow it this year, for one last time. After the festivities end, the creation of as many ponds as are necessary for the immersion of idols of all sizes can be done under court supervision.



When you're faced with untrustworthy people, remind yourself that it's impossible for such people not to exist. Then you'll be kinder to each and every one of them

Marcus Aurelius

The Taliban's return will lead to geopolitical realignment. India's ties with major powers will also be readjusted to manage terrorism coming from the Af-Pak area

WHY AFGHANISTAN WILL BE A NEW GEOPOLITICAL PIVOT

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The Taliban's "inclusive" government has turned out to be a farce. It is 100% male, mostly Pashtuns, including some notorious internationally designated terrorists, only two Tajiks and one Uzbek among 33 ministers. Afghanistan's ethnic, tribal and regional fault lines are apparent, with different Taliban factions vying for power. The pragmatists have been marginalised and the hardliners, like the ISI-Haqqani network, have got an upper hand with help from Pakistan's ISI. The Haqqani-ISI alliance had bombed the Indian Embassy in Kabul in 2008, killing 58 people, including Indian diplomats. Infighting led to a rumour of Deputy PM Mullah Baradar having been wounded, resulting in his eventual death in a Pakistani hospital. He has since issued a video message to dispel this rumour. The Al Qaeda leader Ayman Al-Zawahiri, a deputy of Osama bin Laden believed to be holed up in Pakistan, has also issued a video message. He too is alive. The Taliban calling the government an interim one is a prophylactic for avoiding international criticism. They have adopted a double-faced policy of catering to international demands and domestic policies. The oath-taking ceremony, scheduled for September 11, has been deferred. Regret has been expressed for the 9/11 attacks. These flip-flops, based on ISI advice, is to seek legitimacy and acceptance, vital for international aid. Afghanistan is sinking deeper into a humanitarian crisis.

The Doha agreement is showing signs of fraying. The Taliban has already accused the US of renegeing on the Doha Agreement that promised that America will

engage with the UN to remove Taliban members from the sanctions list by 29 May 2020. The Western media hype about a reformed Taliban that followed the Doha Agreement was to justify the handing over of Afghanistan to the Taliban. The Western media also downplayed the role of Pakistan because it inevitably invites the question of why the US invariably turns a blind eye towards Islamabad's behaviour, like smuggling nuclear technologies and developing nuclear weapons and missile capability. The US has always tolerated a certain level of Pakistan's sponsorship of terrorism. There is an influential lobby in Washington that sees cooperation with Pakistan vital for American interests. This is American geopolitical realpolitik.

The so-called reformed Taliban's education minister has publicly trashed higher education and reiterated the importance of Sharia. Women have been told to stay at home. Those attending schools and colleges have been forced to go to segregated ones while having to wear the full burkha. One Taliban spokesperson has publicly declared that women should stay at home and produce babies. Another has said that women and men cannot work side by side. Music and female sports have been banned. Musical instruments have been destroyed. Women have come out in large numbers to protest and Taliban foot soldiers are whipping them in full view of the media. Journalists have been picked up and beaten. Many demonstrations have raised slogans against Pakistan. The Taliban is systematically killing former Af-

ghan military personnel.

The Delhi Declaration issued by the leaders of BRICS nations has carefully avoided naming the Taliban. Significantly, fighting terrorism, including preventing attempts by terrorist organisations to use Afghan territory as terrorist sanctuary and to carry out attacks against other countries, as well as drug trade have received the highest priority. The jubilation in militant quarters and Pakistan on the Taliban's takeover has raised concerns about renewed international terrorist attacks. The caution of the major powers is directly related to ensuring continuing cooperation that the Taliban has extended for the evacuation of foreigners and Afghans still stuck in the country. Qatar has been active in providing aviation and humanitarian support, no doubt with the backing of the Americans.

The return of the Taliban will make Afghanistan a pivot for geopolitical realignment. India's ties with the major powers will also be readjusted to manage terrorism emanating from the Af-Pak area. If the Taliban can crack down on these terrorist groups, it will earn credit and make it possible for countries to cooperate. Meanwhile,



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Pakistan's ISI chief is conferring with intelligence representatives of China, Iran and Russia, alleging that India was sponsoring terrorism in Pakistan with the cooperation of Afghanistan's previous governments. Pakistan has also tried to deflect attention by issuing a dossier on India's human rights 'violations' in Kashmir. Inevitably, it will use out-of-work Taliban, LeT and JeM terrorists against India. Can the Taliban prevent this from happening?

China has decided to embrace the Taliban. Its interest has three strategic dimensions—terrorism, mercantile exploitation of minerals and extending the BRI for regional hegemony. The militant Uighur organisation ETIM has been active in Afghanistan, allied with other organisations. China has extracted a promise that the Taliban will expel ETIM militants. It has announced an aid package of \$31 million. At a time when Afghanistan has become an economic basket case, China's leverage with the Taliban is considerable and Pakistan will use its leverage with the Taliban to provide concessions to Beijing. The China-Pakistan axis will be riding on the former's deep pockets and the latter's close links with the Taliban.

Ultimately, Russia too will have to consider whether it would serve its geopolitical interest to cede regional supremacy to China. Iran, a major player and a neighbour of Afghanistan with close ties to the Shia Hazara community, has been critical of foreign interference in Kabul. Its economic ties with China and sanctions imposed by the US will also force it to follow China's lead in Afghanistan, though

ties are strained by the Sunni Taliban's hostile attitude towards Shias. China-Russia-Pakistan-US had shut out India from consultations, though the American and Russian intelligence chiefs have been consulting Delhi recently.

For India, the principal dilemma has been whether to engage the Taliban or not, as it consistently supported the elected government in Kabul. Having closed her Embassy and Consulates, India has no representative in Kabul. This does not preclude India supplying humanitarian aid to the Afghan people, who have a very high regard for India. This goodwill has to be nurtured. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has called for unimpeded access and equitable distribution of humanitarian aid.

Geopolitically, the Quad is likely to gain greater salience. India's growing ties with the US and conscious ramping up defence hardware procurement from America and France has affected Russia's exports. It must be acknowledged that both India and Russia have attempted to retain fundamental elements of their bilateral ties that have stood the test of time, even as they disagree on the Quad. One aspect that underlines Russian commitment to bilateral ties is the supply of military hardware at the height of China-India tensions in Ladakh against Beijing's wishes. As Russia leverages the China-Pakistan axis, New Delhi and Moscow have a window to coordinate positions on Afghanistan.

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THE INTERSECTION OF IPR AND COMPETITION LAW

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Intellectual property rights law and competition law have been treated as conflicting in nature as their goals seem to be at loggerheads with one another. The scope and timing of the laws getting triggered is also different in the sense that IP law comes into effect when there is creation of an asset; however the competition law only gets triggered when there is a use. Moreover, the grant of such right is not dependent on the market power that exists under the IP law.

But a deeper understanding will reveal that this is not entirely true, and the purposes of the Acts are rather complementary. Since India is a developing country, the probable economic loss due to not taking the complementary nature into account is very important for its development in the international sphere. Therefore a strong-

er and more efficient framework is required for facilitating the intersection of the two laws.

A closer look at the Competition Act will allow us to see that the Competition Commission of India has the powers to undertake consultation with other sectoral regulators but this remains partially addressed and insufficiently implemented as they are not mandatory in nature or binding for that matter.

The Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) also appeals to developing countries to build a stronger intellectual property right enforcement regime. Therefore it is important to take the international obligations and international jurisprudence into account as well. The EU and the US have taken a balanced view in this regard. They treat abuse of

dominance by the intellectual property right holder as an exception as opposed to a general rule. Since Indian jurisprudence has taken a lot from the common law especially in cases of economic laws, both the approaches of the EU and US can lend support to policymakers for arriving at a reasoned decision or formulating a flexible policy in cases of intersection between IP rights and competition law.

For this, recognising that intellectual property is in fact a form of competition policy is important and that they are inseparable. The goals and policies of the two laws will always be compatible with each other so long as the domain of the rights are limited to their



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own sphere and do not transgress the boundaries set by the other law. The recognition of the fact that there may be times when there is overreach by competition law in the sphere of IP law where it is not even required is important. Therefore, a reconciliation between the two laws is important to avoid this conflict.

It may also be noted that CCI has a residuary but an important power to grant any relief that it may deem fit under Section 27(g) of the Act. This power may also be used sparingly in cases where competition is hampered excessively, to grant and distribute IP among competitors and maintain the balance in the market. This argument is further bolstered by the fact that there is a compulsory licensing regime in India, for example in India the Patent Act, 1970, Section 84 allows for compulsory licensing on three grounds.

The anticompetitive effects of patent pooling should also be borne in mind while considering the principles of competition law. The complementary patents that can be pooled are not supposed to generate anti-competitive effects

because of the monopoly or the monopolistic competition that might have been created.

In the US, it is treated as a concrete asset and post-merger evaluation of the market share is done whereas in the EU, it would not have been a significant consideration although it is taken into account. In India, although there has not been any specific case for application of competition law and IPR under combination regulations and combination in general, which is governed by Section 6 of the Competition Act, intellectual property forms a very big and concrete set for merging parties and it should not be overlooked while giving a decision and go-ahead on a merger. This is extremely important as IPR is now gaining importance as a very powerful asset for a particular company and may even lead to market concentration.

Therefore, Indian policy needs significant amendment with regards to substance and procedure for dealing with cases where IP and competition law seem to intersect.

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Step up vigilance

The Delhi police did a good job by acting swiftly and apprehending six people who were plotting terror attacks with the active connivance of Pakistan's ISI (Six held for plotting terror attacks in India, Sep 15). The risk of such attacks is much greater now as the Taliban is in power in Afghanistan and could lend a hand to Pakistan in its bid to destabilise India. The nation's relations with all its neighbours, with the possible exception of Bangladesh, have soured in the recent past and hence, we must step up vigilance at vulnerable spots.

CV Aravind, Bengaluru

Police action commendable

The traffic police in Visakhapatnam

taking strict action against tinted windows in vehicles by peeling the films besides imposing penalties is commendable. Such proactiveness from our cops will help greatly in improving the system. Similar action should be taken against two-wheeler riders who talk on their mobiles while driving as that menace is on the rise.

K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam

The issue of overspeeding

The Madras High Court did well to quash the 2018 Union government notification increasing the speed limit of vehicles to 120 kmph, 100 kmph and 70 kmph on expressways, four-lane highways and roads within municipal limits respectively. Overspeeding on roads that

lack proper facilities for pedestrians and basic infrastructure like streetlights, signages, etc., continue to claim and maim many lives.

Dr George Jacob, Kochi

Can't just exempt a state

This is with reference to Another shot at NEET workaround in Tamil Nadu (Sep 15). Successive governments in Tamil Nadu have also been contributing to the issue by giving false hopes to students that the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test will be scrapped. Thus, Tamil Nadu should take a firm stand, taking into consideration that no other state is fighting to abolish NEET. It doesn't seem likely that an exemption will be made for just one state. Whether

or not the government is able to push the Bill through, it should improve the state's school education quality to be on par with CBSE syllabus so that students can attempt competitive exams confidently.

S Nallasivan, Tirunelveli

Centre must act on TN Bill

While poorer medical aspirants have been affected due to NEET, all the same, 7.5% quota has been given to government school students. In 2017, the then ruling party passed a resolution in the Assembly against NEET, passed a Bill and sent it to the President, who withheld his assent. Now the present ruling party has done something similar. But the million-dollar question

is what the state government would do if the President puts the Bill in cold storage. The Union government, instead of turning a Nelson's eye to the state government demand of repealing NEET, should act favourably in the best interest of rural students.

E Rajamani Chelladurai, Tirunelveli

Still playing politics

Tamil Nadu is the only state still playing politics with the NEET exam. The standard of education is different across the states and different boards. Hence, it is necessary for students to be evaluated on a single platform like the NEET at the national level.

R Narayanan, Bengaluru



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Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
Today, one year has been completed of the injustice done to 'Hathras ki daughter' a symbol of atrocities under the BJP govt, but justice is still not received.



Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
Modi's refusal to submit an affidavit is eloquent admission that it is still using Pegasus spyware for surveillance on citizens violating the right to privacy.



Yogi Adityanath @myogiadityanath
More than 9 crore Covid vaccines have been administered in Uttar Pradesh. UP is the first state in the country to achieve this incomparable achievement.

Crime up by 28% due to Covid norm breaches

Major offences on the decline in 2020 but cases of rioting recorded rise, shows National Crime Records Bureau data

SANA SHAKIL @ New Delhi

COVID-19 norm violations pushed up India's overall crime rate by 28% last year, even though most major crimes saw a decline, according to the latest report of the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB). What kept the police on their toes in the pandemic year was fake news, offences related to adulteration, riots and offences under environmental laws.

Cases regarding circulation of false/fake news and rumour mongering doubled compared to 2019. Such cases have been on the rise for a while. In 2018, 280 such cases were registered, the numbers rose to 486 in 2019 and last year, as many as 1,527 cases were registered.

The last year also recorded a surge in the cases of rioting. More disputes as compared to the previous year were reported last year over conflicts concerning religion, sect, caste, agriculture, money, water and land despite the ongoing pandemic. After 45,985 cases of riots in 2019, last year recorded a total of 51,606 cases of riots including 857 cases concerning religious matters, 2,188 agrarian disputes, 10,652 of property alterations and 736 matters of caste conflict.

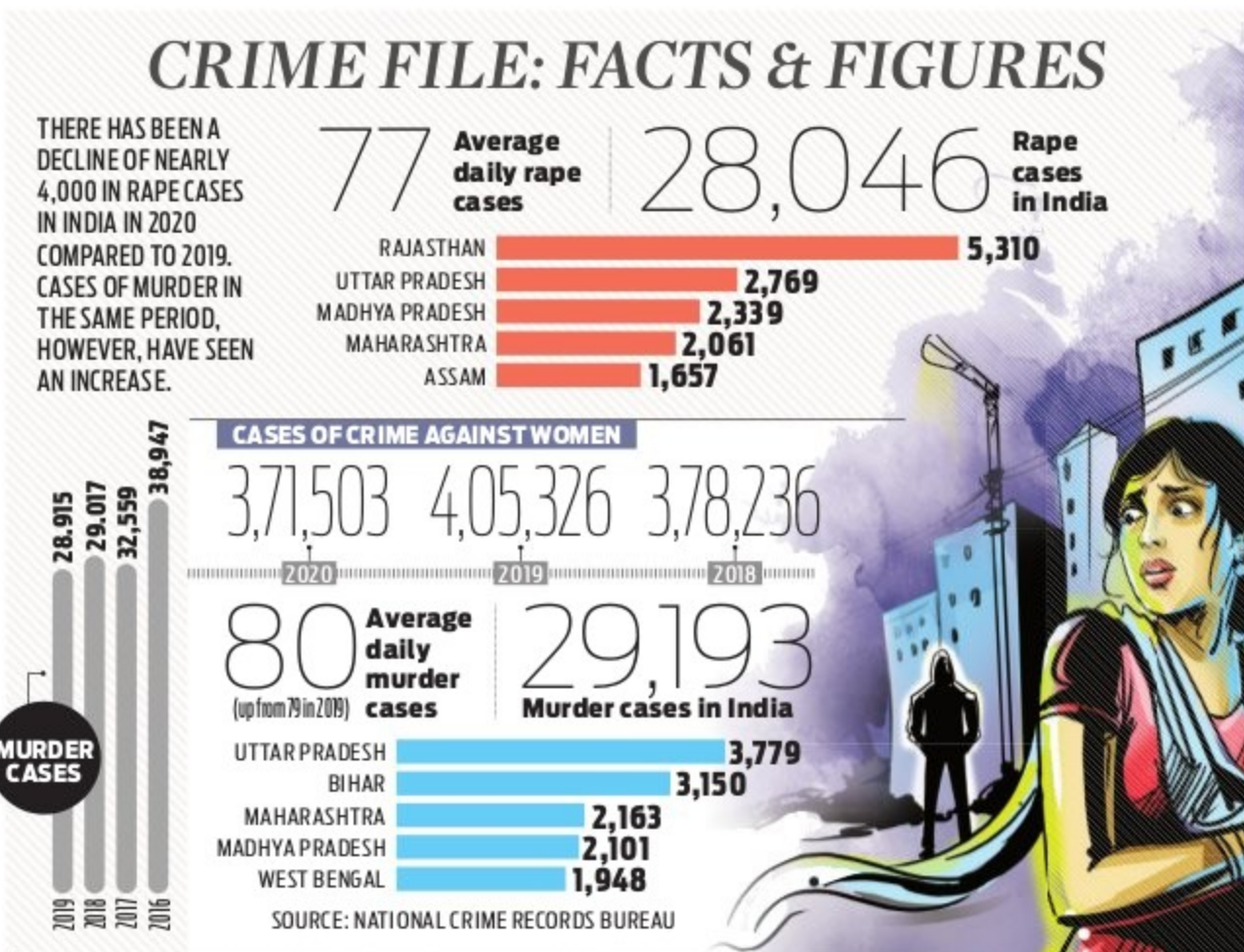
Adulteration cases have been

increasing too. Under the Prevention of Food Adulteration (PFA) Act, 25 cases were registered in 2018 and under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 49 and 175 cases were registered in 2018. The following year saw 49 such cases and 362 cases under PFA and FSAS Act, respectively. Last year, 65 and 625 cases were registered under these two laws — PFA and FSAS.

Overall crime in the country increased by 28% in 2020 over the non-pandemic year of 2019, according to NCRB, but this rise was mainly attributed to violation of Covid-19 norms and guidelines.

The report lists a total of 66,01,285 cognizable crimes comprising 42,54,356 Indian Penal Code (IPC) violations and 23,46,929 crimes under Special and Local Laws (SLL). It shows an increase of 14,45,127 (28%) in registration of cases from 2019 (51,56,158 cases).

"Major increase was seen in cases registered under Section 188 of the IPC (Disobedience to Order Duly Promulgated by Public Servant) from 29,469 cases in 2019 to 6,12,179 cases in 2020 and under 'Other IPC Crimes' from 2,52,268 cases in 2019 to 10,62,399 cases in 2020... Effectively therefore, there is a decrease in registration of traditional crime by about two lakh cases," the report stated.



Cyber offence cases in India rise by 11.8%

New Delhi: India recorded 50,035 cases of cyber crime in 2020, with a 11.8 per cent surge in such offences over the previous year, as 578 incidents of "fake news on social media" were also reported, official data showed on Wednesday. The rate of cyber crime (incidents per lakh population) also increased from 3.3 per cent in 2019 to 3.7 per cent in 2020 in the country. In 2019, the country recorded 44,735 cases of cyber crime, while the figures stood at 27,248 in 2018, the data from corresponding years showed. The year saw 4,047 cases of online banking fraud, 1,093 OTP frauds and 1,194 credit/debit card fraud.

Atrocities against SCs and STs increased in 2020

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

SCHEDULED Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) continued to face persecution in 2020, reveals the latest report of National Crime Records Bureau. Crimes against SCs and STs rose by 9.4% and 9.3%, respectively, compared to 2019.

Crimes against other vulnerable groups such as senior citizens, children, women and foreigners registered a dip. There was a decline also in cases of dowry deaths, human traffick-

ing, economic offences, miscarriages, counterfeiting, acid attacks and economic offences.

Of the 28 states and nine UTs, 17 registered an increase in cases of atrocities against SCs. They were Assam, Bihar, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Chandigarh, Puducherry and Jammu and Kashmir. Assam, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh,

Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Telangana, Uttarakhand recorded more number of atrocities against STs.

Madhya Pradesh had the highest crime rate of 60.8 against SCs, followed by Rajasthan (57.4), Bihar (44.5) and Uttar Pradesh (30.7). Kerala (26.8), Rajasthan (20.3), Telangana (17.4) and Madhya Pradesh (15.7) recorded the highest crime rates against STs. Crime rate is crimes committed against per lakh population of the community in the state.

UP reported highest number of atrocities (12,714) against SCs and Madhya Pradesh reported the most number of crimes (2,401) against STs.

"The country remained under complete lockdown from March 25 to May 31, during which time movement in public space was very limited. The cases registered under crimes against women, children and senior citizens, theft, burglary, robbery and dacoity have therefore declined," the NCRB report stated.

20 debarred from JEE Mains for 3 years for cheating

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE National Testing Agency under the Union education ministry has debarred 20 candidates from appearing in Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Mains for the next three years. Their results have also been withheld, the agency said while announcing the combined rank for all four phases of the examination.

These students were found using "unfair means". The last session of the test conducted in late August, early September was marred with controversy as at least one examination centre in Haryana was compromised with its devices hacked. The case was handed over to the Central Bureau of Investigation which arrested 11 people for allegedly trying to subvert the engineering entrance exams, which also doubles up as the screening test for entrance into the IITs.

There were allegations that the accused used to charge around ₹15 lakh from candidates in exchange for someone else taking the test in their

place. As per the NTA rules, "unfair means" include "using someone to write examinations (impersonation) or preparing material for copying" and being in possession of prohibited articles like stationery items and communication devices, among others.

Results showed that 44 students — the highest ever — obtained a perfect 100 percentile score. Of over 10.48 lakh students who applied to appear for JEE Main in all four sessions, as many as 9,39,008 took the exam while 2,52,954 students appeared in all four sessions. Most registrations were for the August or the last session with 76,770 candidates signing up for the test. However, the maximum number of students who appeared in the test — 6.21 lakh — were in the first session.

As many as 18 students got rank 1. Significantly, the rank preparation list which includes results from all the sessions was based on a new formula. To prepare the merit list, students who shared the same score had to undergo a revised tie-breaking criteria.

Speaker proposes lawmakers' meet to mark 75 yrs of Independence

New Delhi: Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Wednesday suggested to the all India presiding officer of the legislative bodies that a mega conference of MPs and MLAs be organised to commemorate 75 years of independence. He also suggested that conferences of present and former MPs and MLAs above 75 years of age may be organised in the states. Addressing a meeting of presiding officers, Birla informed that the centenary year of Public Accounts Committee will be celebrated on December 4 and 5. He also said that a programme on "role of women and young MPs and MLAs in strengthening democratic institutions" may be organised. "Similarly, conferences of democratic institutions at different levels, including village panchayats and urban bodies, may also be organised," he said. Birla also said that the credibility of legislatures is linked to the conduct and behaviour of their members.

Women behind men in India's vaccine coverage

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

DESPITE repeated prodding by the Centre, gender gap in Covid-19 vaccination in India persists. About 47.5% women having received the shots as against over 52.5% men who got them.

As on Wednesday afternoon, of about 76,09,63,563 doses administered in India, 39,89,69,610 shots had been administered to men. Number of women beneficiaries was 36,19,93,953. A minuscule number of transgenders have also received them.

In late June, nearly two months after vaccination opened for all adults, women's share in the total inoculation was 46%. The fact that it has grown by only 1.5% even when the national vaccination drive has gathered pace indicates that access to vaccines for women remains a major challenge.

The issue refuses to settle down even as the Union health ministry, in various meetings with the states, has taken up the matter and the National Commission for Women also wrote to chief secretaries of all states to close the gender gap in Covid-19 vaccination.

The gap in coverage between the two genders is a matter of great concern, the NCW had said last month arguing that there is an urgent need to increase the proportion of women coming to vaccination



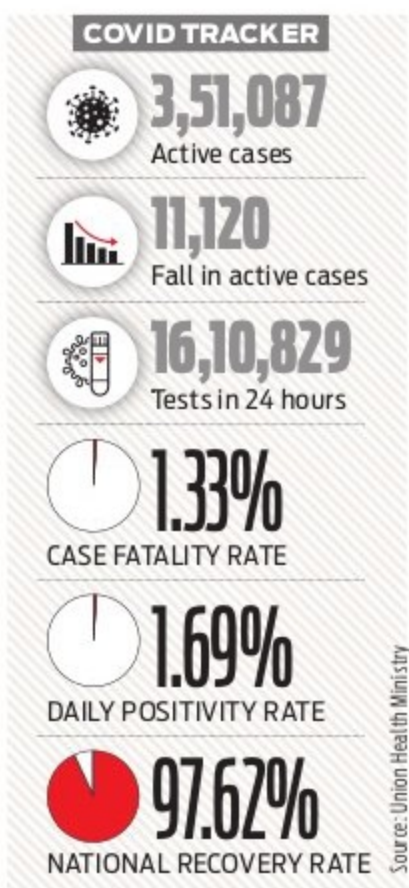
A woman gets the shot at a Ganapati festival venue in Mumbai on Wednesday | PTI

booths. The letter, shared with health secretaries of all the states, underlined that there is a need to create awareness so that more and more women are vaccinated on priority.

The Centre has been highlighting that the gender-gap in administering vaccines is significantly more among elderly population than the younger females. "It reflects the existing gender stereotypes in the soci-

ety due to which women are left behind and the reasons include unequal access to resources and technology for both genders," it had told the states.

Many women's rights activists have been pointing out that in many households, women's health is not considered a priority as compared to men if they do not work outside the home and end up getting less preference for vaccination.



RUSSIA REQUESTS VACCINE EXPORT

New Delhi: The Russian ambassador has urged India to allow export of single-dose vaccine Sputnik Light produced by Hetero, one of the RDIF's partners in production, to his country till it gets emergency use authorisation from India.



Rahul Gandhi at the Foundation Day function of Mahila Congress | PARVEEN NEGI

BJP & RSS fake Hindus, says Rahul at party meet

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

CONGRESS leader Rahul Gandhi on Wednesday attacked the BJP-RSS as 'brokers of religion' and said that they are 'fake' Hindus who do not care about Hinduism but use religion for their benefit.

"BJP has been attacking Lakshmi and Durga all over the country and wherever they go, they kill Lakshmi, they kill Durga. They are not Hindus but use Hinduism for the brokerage of religion," Gandhi said at the Foundation Day function of Mahila Congress.

He said it was Mahatma Gandhi who understood Hindu religion, practised it and even the BJP-RSS recognised

it. "Congress has a different ideology. As a Congress worker, I can compromise with other ideologies but not with the ideology of BJP and RSS. What is the difference between Gandhi's Congress, Godse's, and Savarkar's ideologies," he said. Mahatma Gandhi practised non-violence and the ideology of RSS, Savarkar and Godse pumped three bullets into his chest, he added.

Accusing RSS of ignoring women power, he said it has no place for the fairer gender while the Congress has given a woman prime minister. "The government is using all means to destroy women power through inflation, demonetisation, farm laws and GST."

EYE ON CHINA

India should use its island territories as aircraft carrier

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

TO ramp up the country's security ring in the Indian Ocean in the backdrop of worrisome Chinese activities, India should utilise its island territories and use the peninsular mainland territory to its optimum, says a senior government official.

Commenting on the third aircraft carrier for Indian Navy, the official said: "India should develop its island territory as an unsinkable aircraft carrier and also use the peninsular landmass jutting into the Indian Ocean to its advantage." On the Chinese threat in the Indian Ocean with a possible deployment of its aircraft carrier in the future, the official said China has other areas which need focus. "The Chinese have other priorities such as Taiwan and Japan before they can come to Indian Ocean. And if they try to deploy a carrier, we are capable enough to handle them, he added.

The Indian Navy has been pitching for the third aircraft carrier for long. The logic put across is that the country should have at least two active carriers at any given time. In such a case availability of three aircraft carriers will give options of deploying one each on the eastern and western seaboard and the third can be put to the maintenance and repair cycle.

China has been constructing aircraft carriers at a fast pace with a projected plan to operate 10 carriers by 2050. At present their third and most advanced aircraft carrier is being built with the first one, Liaoning, being commissioned in 2012 and second, Shandong, ready in 2019.

EXPRESS READ

Parliament more about policy than politics: PM

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Wednesday that Parliament is not only about politics but policy too and noted that content is about "connect" that is as much applicable to the parliamentary system as to the media. Launching Sansad TV, he said it is very important that the common man connects with Parliament and feels he is part of it. Others present included Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla.

Scindia flags off 38 flights across country

New Delhi: Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia on Wednesday flagged off 38 flights in various states, including the first flight from Visakhapatnam to Mumbai. Flights have also been launched to connect Surat with Delhi, Varanasi with Bengaluru, Jaipur and Jharsuguda with Mumbai and Chennai with Pune, Jaipur and Varanasi. Visakhapatnam is now connected with 10 cities with 302 aircraft movements.

Pak-backed Khalistan activities rising in US: Report

PTI @ Washington

PAKISTAN-BACKED Khalistani separatist groups, banned by the Indian government, are gaining ground in the US, a top American think tank has warned, ruing that Washington remains indifferent to appeals made by India to curb anti-India activities.

The US-based Sikhs for Justice (SFJ) is a pro-Khalistan group. In 2019, the Indian gov-

ernment banned it for its alleged anti-national activities. The SFJ had pushed for Sikh Referendum 2020 as part of its separatist agenda. It espouses the cause of Khalistan and challenges the sovereignty and territorial integrity of India. The outlawed group's primary objective is to establish an "independent and sovereign country" in Punjab.

In its 'Pakistan's Destabilization Playbook: Khalistani

Activism in the US' report published on Tuesday, the Hudson Institute examines the conduct of 'Khalistan and Kashmir separatist groups within the United States' to investigate their support by Pakistan. The report looks at these groups' ties to terrorist outfits in India, and the possible detrimental effects of their activities on US foreign policy in South Asia.

"The US government has

shown no interest in violence committed by Khalistan activists, even though the Khalistan campaign's most ardent supporters are located in countries such as the UK, Canada and US. Unless the US government prioritises oversight of Khalistan-related militancy and terrorism, it is unlikely to identify groups that are engaged in violence in Punjab in India or are preparing to do so," it said.

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Chennai	36	27	Port Blair	28	25
Kolkata	32	27	Imphal	29	21
Srinagar	31	14	Chandigarh	39	26

Maha takes ordinance route to restore OBC reservation in local polls

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA government on Wednesday decided to issue an ordinance to restore reservations for members of the Other Backward Class (OBC) in local body elections.

The decision was taken at a cabinet meeting. After the

meeting, OBC leader and NCP minister Chhagan Bhujbal addressed the media and said, "The restoration of 27 per cent reservations of OBC will be done on the line of Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh where despite court orders, these states restored the OBC reservations." The OBCs get 27% reservation in electoral wards of

municipal bodies and zilla parishads. This quota is politically important because Marathas and OBCs are locked in a tussle for political dominance in the state. Since both communities have a large presence, so no one party can afford to lose the support of OBC.

"We will not cross the 50 per cent cap of reservations. Keep-



ing aside the ST and SC reservations, the remaining reservations within a 50 per cent cap will be given to the OBC community. In some of the districts, the ST population is high therefore in such districts, they will get more reservations while OBC's reservations will be curtailed. The 90 per cent OBC reservations in local body polls

will be restored," Bhujbal said.

Bhujbal said that even though anyone goes against the ordinance of restoring OBC reservations, the court will not entertain them. "The reason the state government has right to issue the ordinance to restore the reservations. The OBCs are fighting for their

rights since their birth. The fighting for our rights is new for us. The fight will continue," the NCP minister said.

Earlier, the Supreme Court had struck down the OBC reservations, citing there was no data to extend the OBC reservations in local body polls. On Wednesday, the BJP staged a protest over the decision.

PATEL GOVT

Axe to fall on all ex-ministers? Oath-taking put off amid unease

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE BJP is making a big gamble ahead of the 2022 Gujarat state Assembly elections by showing the door to all ministers who served in the Vijay Rupani government. The party's no-repeat theory means only fresh faces will be inducted into the new cabinet.

Sources said, the new Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel was forced to cancel the scheduled swearing-in of his cabinet on Wednesday due to resentment from the old guard over the no-repeat theory of the party's high command. The stage where the swearing-in event was to take place was reportedly dismantled on Wednesday.



After news of the no-repeat theory came out, supporters of Kunvrji Bavaliya, an influential leader of the fishing community, who was a minister in the Rupani government, expressed their displeasure at their leader being dropped from the new cabinet. They said the BJP must prepare to face the consequences if Bavaliya is not given a place in Patel's cabinet.

"The BJP high command has given green signal to Bhupendra Patel for no-repeat theory cabinet. All the ministers

of former chief minister Vijay Rupani cabinet will be dropped and replaced with new and fresh faces. Besides, former ministers are also unlikely to get a place in the new cabinet. But looking at the resentment, Bhupendra Patel was forced to cancel the scheduled swearing-in on Wednesday because Mr Patel wants everyone on the same page. He wants to make consensus among all young and old people and then go ahead BJP high command plan," said a senior BJP leader on condition of anonymity.

"Bhupendra Patel, a first-time MLA, was surprisingly made the chief minister of Gujarat. On the same lines, fresh faces will be inducted into the new cabinet. The BJP high command has instructed that no old and former ministers should be included in the new cabinet. The priority will be given to young and fresh faces ahead of the 2022 Gujarat state Assembly elections," the source added.

"The old guards and former ministers are insisting that if they are not given a place in the new cabinet, at least their loyalists or close associates must be inducted. A heavy lobbying has been done by the old guard," said senior a journalist from Gujarat.

Badals laid foundation of farm laws: Sidhu

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chandigarh

PUNJAB Congress president Navjot Singh Sidhu on Wednesday alleged that the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) was "the main architect" of the three central farm laws. These legislations were the exact replicas of the contract farming law introduced by the SAD-BJP government in Punjab assembly in 2013, claimed the cricketer-turned-politician.

Hitting back, the SAD asked Sidhu not to try to be fool people and challenged him to repeal the amendments made in the APMC Act by the Congress government in 2017, if he was really serious about helping the cause of the farming community.

India calls out Pak, OIC for K-anard at UNHRC session

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

INDIA on Wednesday gave the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) a piece of its mind for raising Kashmir at the UN Human Rights Commission, calling it out for allowing itself to be held hostage by Pakistan.

Exercising its rights to respond to comments made by Pakistan and the OIC on Kashmir at the ongoing session of the council, India said Pakistan has been globally recognised as a country openly supporting, training, financing and arming terrorists as a matter of state policy.

The stinging response came from Pawan Badhe, first secretary in India's permanent mission in Geneva. "India, as not only the world's largest democracy but a robustly functional

and vibrant one, does not need lessons from a failed state like Pakistan which is the epicentre of terrorism and worst abuser of human rights," he acridly said.

Pakistan, he added, has failed to protect the rights of its minorities, including Sikhs, Hindus, Christians and Ahmadis. "Pakistan has been engaged in systematic persecution, forced conversions, targeted killings, sectarian violence and faith-based discrimination against its ethnic and religious minorities," he said.

Turning his attention to the OIC, Badhe said it has no locus to comment on Kashmir. "The OIC has helplessly allowed itself to be held hostage by Pakistan.... It's for the members of the OIC to decide if it is in their interest to allow Pakistan to do so."



MP govt allows primary schools to reopen



The Madhya Pradesh government has allowed schools to reopen classes for primary students with 50% capacity from September 20. The state has reported 174 fresh Covid-19 cases in the first 14 days of September, which is already more than 50% of the total 347 positive cases reported in the entire

month of August. Slamming the state government for the decision, senior congress leader KK Mishra questioned the hurry to reopen schools, when there have been cases of school students getting infected with Covid-19 in the US and many parts of India, including Mumbai after the schools reopened.



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BHOPAL DIARY

Chouhan suspends two officials over corruption

Chief Minister Shivrang Singh Chouhan is in action again. He is on his Jan Darshan Yatra, which is mostly travelling through the bypoll-bound Assembly constituencies of the state. On Sunday, the first phase of the yatra (which aims at establishing a direct dialogue with the public) saw the CM set a deadline to government officials for completing various development works in the Raigaon Assembly constituency. On Tuesday, the CM went a step further, suspending two officials, including a chief municipal officer and a tehsildar in the Niwari district, following allegations of corruption against them by the public. The CM has also ordered a probe by the Economic Offences Wing (EOW) against one of the suspended officials.

Punjab on alert after arrests of more terrorists

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

PUNJAB is on high alert after the arrest of four more members of an ISI-backed terrorist module.

The module was involved in a bid to blow up an oil tanker with an improvised explosive device installed inside a tiffin box last month.

Punjab DGP Dinkar Gupta said two Pak-based terrorists, including a Pakistani Intelligence Officer, have also been identified and nominated in the case in which one person was arrested earlier.

Taking a serious note of the increased attempts by terror groups to disturb the state's peace, Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh has directed the police to be on high alert, particularly in view of schools and educational institutions reopening, as well as

the festival season and the Assembly polls coming up. He has asked the DGP to ensure that high-level security arrangements are put in place, especially in busy places, such as markets etc, as well as at sensitive installations across the state.

Giving details of the arrests, Gupta identified Pakistan-based ISYF Chief Lakhbir Singh and Qasim, a resident of Pakistan, and Lakhbir Singh Rode a native of Rode, a village in the Moga district, who is currently based in Pakistan, as being behind the terror module. Those arrested on Tuesday have been identified as Rubal Singh of Bhakha Tara Singh village, Vicky Bhutti of Ballharwal, Malkeet Singh of Ugar Aulakh and Gurpreet Singh of Uggur Aulakh.



Govt has right to take call: A-G

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ATTORNEY General K K Venugopal said, "It was held in the UPSC case that Centre can decide not to accept. We have acted as per the judgment. We have gone to wait list after exhausting the main list. Thus, no recommendations are pending for 6 tribunals."

But the judges called the entire selection procedure a waste of time, adding a lot of effort is put in to finalise the selections that are made on the basis of inputs provided by the government itself.

They reminded Venugopal that the court had in November 2020 told the government to set up an independent National Tribunal Commission, but there was no response.

The A-G was then given two more weeks after he assured the bench that the names that made it to the final list of selection issued by SCSC but were left out will be reconsidered.

SCSCs are headed by a sitting SC judge. They have two senior civil servants, the law secretary and secretary of the parent ministry of the tribunal, as their members.

Senior counsel Arvind Datar, the lawyer appearing for petitioner Madras Bar Association, claimed the government had appointed only 13 out of 40 names that were recommended by SCSC. The court was hearing a batch of petitions on huge vacancies in tribunals that had virtually left them defunct. Some petitions have also been filed seeking contempt action against the government for introducing a law on the selection and service conditions of tribunal members in violation of the top court orders.



BRIDGE COLLAPSE

People in Tamar area of Ranchi look at a bridge that collapsed in their locality due to continuous rainfall on Wednesday | PTI

EC notice against BJP's Priyanka for poll code violation over big gathering

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

THE returning officer of West Bengal's bypoll-bound Bhowanipore Assembly constituency has issued a notice to BJP candidate Priyanka Tibrewal over alleged violation of the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) and Covid-19 protocols while filing her nomination.

Tibrewal will face off TMC supreme Mamata Banerjee in the high-decibel election set to be held on September 30.

The notice was issued after the Trinamool Congress alleged that Priyanka violated the MCC and Covid-related restrictions by gathering together more than 500 people without permission.

In the complaint, the TMC alleged that she even performed 'Dhunuichi Nach' (traditional Bengali dance during



Priyanka Tibrewal

Complaint against TMC's Firad Hakim

The BJP on Wednesday lodged a complaint against West Bengal minister Firad Hakim with the Election Commission alleging that he intimidated its party workers Bhawanipore Assembly constituency. The BJP charged that he is attempting to disturb the peaceful conduct of polls

Durga Puja) at various places on her way to file her nomination.

The returning officer referred to the report submitted by the officer-in-charge of Bhowanipore police station where he mentioned a traffic block triggered by the massive Assembly of BJP supporters.

Priyanka, in her reply, refused to accept the allegation that he led a crowd. "I had not led any crowd. It is not my duty to see who was on the road on bikes and four-wheelers. It is the job of the police and the local administration," she said.

Claiming that she had followed all protocols, Priyanka said, "I would like to point out that other than Suvendu Adhikari, there was no one in the vehicle in which I travelled to file my nomination."



Panel to prepare medical curriculum in Hindi

The state government has decided to constitute a panel to prepare the medical education curriculum in Hindi. "We want to offer the medical students in the state an option of studying the course in Hindi for which we're going to form a committee at the earliest. The committee will be tasked with preparing the medical education curriculum in Hindi," medical education minister Vishvas Sarang said. The announcement was made by the minister to mark the Hindi Diwas on Tuesday.

Use of coolers banned amid dengue surge

Amid the continuing rise in dengue cases in Madhya Pradesh, the Jabalpur district administration has banned the use of water coolers for a month. Among the four most populated cities of the state, Jabalpur has reported at least 177 dengue cases in the first 14 days of September. "No deaths have fortunately been reported, but we don't want to take any chances and will do everything possible to prevent the further spread of the viral disease. With the majority of larvae being found in coolers, it has been decided to ban the use of water coolers for a month," a district official said.

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Residential Tenement bearing No.204, MIG-C, in Second Floor of Block No.5, consisting of 16 Residential Apartments in the multi-storied building constructed on the property described in schedule 'A' hereto (including one half portion in depth of the joints between the ceiling of the tenements and floors or the tenements above it and internal walls and external between such levels) containing Living, with balcony, One Bed Room, Kitchen, Bath room, toilet, approx measuring 41.36 Square meters built area and unit undivided 1 in 16 square / ownership in the common space, passages, pipes, drains and staircase, constructed of RCC roofed, built up of cement, bricks and steel wires and mosaic flooring with all civic amenities, now KHB, Shride Khatra Property No 92/166/MIG.204.F/Block No.6, Present BBMP Khatra No 92/166/MIG.204.F.

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IN THE COURT OF THE CIVIL JUDGE (COMMERCIAL) AT BANGALORE

Com. O.S. No. 91/2021 (CCH-90)

BETWEEN: Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL), Registered under the Companies Act, having its Corporate Office at Kaveri Bhavan, K. G. Road, Bengaluru - 560 009, Represented by: Smt. Suman D/o K. Ramaraj, aged about 30 years, residing at No.15/2, 22nd, Muthu Nilaya, Residing Street, 8th cross, Near Kumaran's English High School, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-560016

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IN THE COURT OF THE IV ADDITIONAL FAMILY COURT JUDGE AT BANGALORE

M.C. No. 1075/2020

BETWEEN: Smt. Bhagya Lakshmi, P. W/o. Saeed Kumar D/o K. Ramaraj, aged about 30 years, residing at No.15/2, 22nd, Muthu Nilaya, Residing Street, 8th cross, Near Kumaran's English High School, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-560016

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KALYAN KARNATAKA ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION VIJAYAPUR DIVISION

NO:NEKT:VJP:TR:COMM:1754:2021-22 Dated:14.09.2021

Sandhan Publication No:151/17/2

Division Invited Sandhan (Negotiation) Open Space for Advertisement in All Bus Stands of the Vijayapur Division the detailed schedule of E-Tender is as below.

1) Last Date for Tender Enquiry :21.10.2021 up to 17.00 Hrs.
2) Last Date for Application :21.10.2021 up to 16.00 Hrs.
3) Last Date for Submitting Documents D.D and Application Fees at Divisional Office :22.10.2021 up to 16.30 Hrs.
4) Sandhan (Negotiation): 23.10.2021 After 10.00 AM.

For details Contact D.T.O.: 7760992252 or Commercial Case Worker (Traffic Section) Vijayapur Divisional Office during office hours.

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LOSS OF DOCUMENT

V Mallikarjuna registered general power of attorney by C S Balakrishna of the house bearing no.1642, EWS, having Yelahanka BBMP katha no.647 situated at b-sector 3rd stage Yelahanka New Town Bengaluru 560106, before Yelahanka sub registrar office on 9th October 2009 in document no. YAN-4-00150-2009-10 CD number YAN0320.

It was lost before 6 years back, If anyone finds these documents I request that they will be delivered to the above address or contact: K S Lakshmi - 98447 54579

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client intends to purchase the below mentioned properties adjacent to each other and all are situated at Panathur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Portion of land bearing Survey Number 12/1, measuring 136.4 Guntas (converted vide official memorandum bearing No. ALN(EVH)SR - 14207-08, dated 14.10.2008, passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner Bangalore bounded on-

East by: Land bearing Sy.No.12/2
West by: 18 meters wide Driveway
North by: Remaining land in same Sy.No.12/1
South by: 18 meters wide Driveway and portion of land bearing Survey Number 12/2, measuring 1 Acre 17.2 Guntas (converted vide official memorandum bearing No. ALN(EVH)SR 14207-08, dated 14.10.2008, passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner Bangalore bounded on-

East by: Land bearing Sy.No.12/3
West by: Land bearing Sy.No.12/1
North by: Land bearing Sy.No.12/1
South by: 18 meters wide Driveway and portion of land bearing Survey Number 12/3, measuring 1 Acre 25.95 Guntas (converted vide official memorandum bearing No. ALN(EVH)SR 14207-08, dated 14.10.2008, passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner Bangalore bounded on-

East by: Land bearing Sy.No.15/2, 15/3 & 15/4
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North by: Land bearing Sy.No.12/1
South by: 18 meters wide Driveway

From its owner Smt.A.Vishalakshi wife Late Sri.Ambli Kotappa and portion of land bearing Survey Number 15/2, measuring 20.65 Guntas (converted vide official memorandum bearing No. ALN(EVH)SR 72/2009-2010, dated 24.03.2010, passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner Bangalore bounded on-

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West by: Land bearing Sy.No.12/3
North by: 15/5 and 15/1
South by: Land bearing Sy.No.15/3 and portion of land bearing Survey Number 15/3, measuring 2 Acres 26 Guntas and 5 Guntas of Kharab and land bearing Survey Number 15/4, measuring 1 Acre 1.32 Guntas, (converted vide official memorandum bearing No. ALN(EVH)SR 63/2008-2009, dated 15.10.2008, passed by the Special Deputy Commissioner Bangalore bounded on-

East by: Land bearing Sy.No.44/1
West by: Land bearing Sy.No.12/3
North by: Land bearing Sy.No.15/2
South by: Land bearing Sy.No.16

From its owner M/s. Shivakar Infra Private Limited, a company incorporated under the Companies Act of 1956, having its registered office at No.10, Vittal Mawla Road, Bangalore-560001, represented by its Director Sri.B.M.Jayashankar.

Persons having any right over the said properties may lodge their objections / claims with documentary evidence within 7 days from the date of this publication, to the undersigned.

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Rival Koreas test missiles hours apart, raise tension

Display of military might comes at a time when US-led talks aimed at stripping the North of its nuclear programme are stalled

SEOUL

NORTH and South Korea tested ballistic missiles hours apart on Wednesday in a display of military might that is sure to exacerbate tensions between the rivals at a time when talks aimed at stripping the North of its nuclear programme are stalled.

South Korea's presidential office said the country conducted its first submarine-launched ballistic missile test. It said the domestically built missile flew from a submarine and hit its designated target while President Moon Jae-in and other top officials looked on.

Moon said improvements in the country's missile capabilities would serve as "a sure defence against North Korean provocation."

Earlier on Wednesday, North

Korea fired two short-range ballistic missiles into the sea. Those launches came two days after the North said it fired a newly developed cruise missile, its first weapons test in six months.

Experts say the North Korea is building up its weapons systems to apply pressure on the United States in the hopes of winning relief from sanctions aimed at forcing the North to abandon its nuclear arsenal. US-led talks on the issue have been stalled for more than two years — and in the meantime, tensions have been rising on the Korean Peninsula.

"North Korea is trying to communicate a message that things will not go as Washington wishes, if it doesn't accept the North's demands," said Moon Seong Mook, an analyst with the Seoul-based Korea Research Institute



(Left) South Korean President Moon Jae-in, centre, listens to official at a test centre of the Agency for Defence Development on Wednesday (Right) South Korea's first underwater-launched ballistic missile test-fired from a 3,000-tonne-class submarine | AP



for National Strategy.

He said North Korea may think it has an opportunity now to win concessions from US President Joe Biden's administration while it is em-

broiled in a domestic debate following the chaotic pullout from Afghanistan.

Meanwhile, observers say Moon's government, which has been actively pursuing recon-

ciliation with North Korea, may have taken action to appear tougher in response to criticism that it's too soft on the North. The rival nations are still technically in a state of



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war since the 1950-53 Korean War, which pitted the North and ally China against UN forces, ended in an armistice, not a peace treaty.

Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga said the launches "threaten the peace and safety of Japan and the region and are absolutely outrageous."

The US Indo-Pacific Command said the move "highlights the destabilising impact of (North's) illicit weapons programme" though it said it didn't pose an immediate threat to the US.

Lankan min quits after death threat to prisoners

COLOMBO

SRI Lankan prisons minister Lohan Ratwatte resigned on Wednesday after an uproar over his alleged remarks to kill Tamil prisoners during his recent visit to a jail in the island's north central region.

Ratwatte, the minister of state for prisons management, tendered his resignation after outrage from the Tamil political parties which sought his exit from the Cabinet and arrest over the remarks.

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has accepted Ratwatte's resignation, presidential spokesman Kingsley Ratnayake said.

Ratwatte went to the Anuradhapura prison in the country's northern central region on September 12 and allegedly forced two prisoners to kneel and threatened to kill them, according to reports.

His act prompted the Tamil parties to condemn his behaviour and call for his resignation. "We call on the government to immediately remove the state minister for prison management and have him arrested and charged after an immediate inquiry for allegedly threatening to kill

prisoners in Anuradhapura on Sunday, September 12," the Tamil National Alliance (TNA) tweeted.

Galen Ponnambalam, the leader of the Tamil National People's Front, also tweeted and con-

firmed the incident.

"The TNPF can confirm that on the evening of September 12, the state minister for prisons had gone to the Anuradhapura prisons, summoned the Tamil political prisoners and had got two of them to kneel in front of him," he said in a tweet.



KABUL

AFGHANISTAN'S central bank said on Wednesday that the Taliban had seized more than \$12 million in cash and gold from the homes of former government officials, as it called for all transactions to be made in local currency.

A foreign exchange crunch in the aid-dependent country threatens the Taliban's rule one month after they seized power.

Most government employees have yet to return to work, and in many cases salaries had already not been paid for months, leaving millions scrambling to make ends meet.

Even those with money in the bank are struggling, as branches limit withdrawals to the equivalent of \$200 a week, with customers having to queue for hours.

"All Afghans in the government and non-governmental organisations are asked to use afghani in their contracts and



Women wait in front of a bank to withdraw money in Kabul on Wednesday | AFP

economic transactions," the central bank said in a statement on Wednesday.

The bank later issued another statement saying Taliban fighters had handed over \$12.3 million in cash and gold seized from the homes of officials from the former government — a large part discovered at the home of former vice president

Amrullah Saleh.

"The money recovered came from high-ranking officials... and a number of national security agencies who kept cash and gold in their homes," the statement said.

"It is, however, still not known for what purpose they were kept."

AFP

EXPRESS READ

ICC okays full probe into Philippines' war on drugs

The Hague: Judges at the International Criminal Court on Wednesday gave the green light for a full investigation into crimes against humanity during the Philippines' so-called "war on drugs". The court "granted the prosecutor's request to commence an investigation in relation to crimes within the jurisdiction of the court allegedly committed on the territory of the Philippines" from 2011 to 2019, the Hague-based ICC said in a statement.

Air strikes kill 3 pro-Iran fighters in Syria

Beirut: Air strikes from unidentified drones killed three pro-Iran fighters in Syria's eastern province of Deir Ezzor near the Iraqi border, a Britain-based war monitor said on Wednesday. The drones late Tuesday targeted trucks of the Iraqi paramilitary network Hashed al-Shaabi after they had crossed the border into the Syrian border district of Albu Kamal, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said.

California Guv Newsom crushes Republican-led effort

SACRAMENTO

DESPITE warnings the race would be close, California Gov. Gavin Newsom decisively defeated efforts to kick him out of office, a win the Democrat cast as an endorsement of his handling of the coronavirus pandemic and his party's liberal values.

Newsom cruised to victory in the recall election Tuesday, boosted by healthy turnout among an overwhelmingly Democratic electorate, ensuring the nation's most populous state will remain a laboratory for progressive policies.

With an estimated two-thirds of ballots counted, the "no" response to the question of whether to recall Newsom was ahead by a 30-point margin. That lead was built on votes cast by mail and in

advance of Tuesday's in-person balloting. While likely to shrink somewhat in the days ahead as votes cast at polling places are counted, Newsom's lead couldn't be overcome.

"No" is not the only thing that was expressed tonight," Newsom said. "I want to focus on what we said 'yes' to as a state: We said yes to science, we said yes to vaccines, we said yes to ending this pandemic."

Republican talk radio host Larry Elder almost certainly would have replaced Newsom had the recall succeeded. The recall turned on Newsom's approach to the pandemic, including mask and vaccine mandates, and Democrats cheered the outcome as evidence voters approve of their strategy.



JOE BIDEN, KAMALA, XI IN TIME'S LIST

NEW YORK

TIME magazine on Wednesday unveiled its annual list of *The 100 Most Influential People of 2021*, a global list that includes US President Joe Biden, Vice-President Kamala Harris, Chinese President Xi Jinping, Duke and Duchess of Sussex Prince Harry and Meghan, former US president Donald Trump and Taliban co-founder Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar.

The list also includes Japanese ace tennis player Naomi Osaka, Russian opposition activist Alexei Navalny, music icon Britney Spears, executive director of the Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council Manjusha P Kulkarni, Apple CEO Tim Cook, actor Kate Winslet and the first African and first woman to lead the World Trade Organization Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala. PTI

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE (CCH-85) AT BENGALURU

Misc. Petition No. 836/2018
Between:
Karnataka State Financial Corporation, Bengaluru
-Petitioner.

AND

1) M/s. S.Kumar Nationwide Limited, having its registered office at: "Niranjan", No.99, Marine Drive, Mumbai-400002.

2) Sri. Shambhu Kumar Khasiwal, S/o Shankarlal Khasiwal, Aged about 88 years, Residing at: Padam-1, Flat No. 17 B, Dr.Gopal Rao Deshmukh Marg, Mumbai-400026.

3) Sri. Nithin S.Khasiwal, S/o Sri. Shambhukumar Khasiwal, Aged about 57 years, Residing at: Padam-1, Flat No. 17 B, Dr.Gopal Rao Deshmukh Marg, Mumbai-400026.

NOTICE TO RESPONDENTS

No. 1 to 3

Whereas the above named Petitioner Corporation has filed Miscellaneous Petition No. 836/2018 praying the Hon'ble Court to recover the amount due from the above Respondents No.01 to 03 to the tune of Rs. 44,68,39,145-00 (Rupees Forty Four Crores Sixty Eight Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand One Hundred and Forty Five Only) as on 30.06.2018 payable with future interest at 21 per cent on footing of compound interest half yearly rests, apart from other prayers. You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court on 01.10.2021 at 11.00 am in person or through your Advocates/ Pleaders to answer the questions in the same. Failing which the matter will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 15th September, 2021 at Bengaluru.

By order of the Court
Assistant Registrar,
City Civil and Sessions Court,
Bengaluru.

Advocate for Petitioner:
Dr.T.Somashekar,
Prajwal Law Associates,
Advocates & Legal Consultants,
No.04, 2nd Main, 3rd Cross,
Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560009.
Mobile No. 94811 35419

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY PORT DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

NAME OF WORK : "Conduct of Financial Audit of Karaikal Port in Karaikal, Government of Puducherry".
TENDER ID: 2021_PORT_8557
NIT DOWNLOAD START DATE : 17.09.2021 from 10.00 Hrs.
Visit <https://pudutenders.gov.in> for downloading tender documents and participating in e-tender. For guidance in access, downloading and uploading the tenders please contact help desk in Phone No.0413-2220225 (or) 0413-2338092.

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
No.154/DIP/AD/Press/2021-22

URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, KALABURAGI

No: KUDA/DB/M. Halli/S.station/2021-22/1577 Date:14-09-2021

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Commissioner KUDA Kalaburagi invites tender from the eligible tenderers, for the work of ESTABLISHING OF 1X5 MVA, 33/11 KV SUB STATION OF ELECTRIFICATION OF (04 KM LINE WORK) RESIDENTIAL LAYOUT AT SY. NO. 23, 27, 28 AT MADARASANAHALI KUDA SCHEME, KALABURAGI as per standard tender document KW-3. The tenderers may submit tenders for the work given in the table through e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka (viz: www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in) the tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in the instructions to tenders to qualify for the award of the contract and go through the general conditions for eligible tenderers and technical qualification criteria given in the e-portal.

Calendar of events :
1) Amount put to tender : Rs. 73,50,000/-, 2) EMD Amount : Rs. 1,47,000/-, 3) Period of completion : 04 Months, 3) Last date for submission of tender : 05-10-2021 upto 4.00 pm, 4) Date of opening of Technical Bid : 08-10-2021 @ 11.00 am, 5) Date of opening of Financial Bid : 13-10-2021 @ 11.00 am

Sd/- Commissioner
Urban Development Authority Kalaburagi

DIPR/Kalaburagi/602/2021-22



IKF HOME FINANCE LIMITED
1st Floor, #6-3-902/A, Plot No. 1, Near Yashoda Hospital,
Raj Bhavan Road, Somajiguda, Hyderabad-500082. Ph: 040-23412083.

The below mentioned Borrowers, Co-borrowers and Guarantors have availed Loan(s) Facility(ies) from IKF Home Finance Limited by mortgaging their Immovable Properties and defaulted in repayment of the same. Consequently to your defaults your Loans were classified as Non Performing Assets by IKF Home Finance Limited and hence all its rights, title, interest, benefits due receivable from you as per document executed by you to avail the said Loan(s) along with the underlying security interest created in respect of the securities for repayment of the same. IKF Home Finance Limited has pursuant to the said Assignment and for the recovery of the outstanding dues, issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (The Act). The contents of which are being published herewith as per Section 13(2) of the act read with Rules 3(1) of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 and by way of Alternate Service upon you.

Sr. No.	Name and Address of the Borrower, Co-Borrower, Guarantor and Loan Amount	Details of the Secured Asset	Demand Notice	Amount Due in Rs.
1	1) Mr. Ramesh Babu G S/o. Mr. Gopala. (Borrower), Ph - 8971463669. 2) Mrs. Suguna W/o. Gopala (Co-Borrower), Ph: 8971463669. 3) Mr. S. Gopal S/o. Sonappa, (Co-Borrower), Ph-8951517440. SI.No. 1 to 3 Addressed at: # 250, Ground Floor, Madhura Nagara, 1st stage, 6th Cross, Near Krishna Bakery, Janatha Colony, Varthur, Bangalore-560087. Loan Amount: Rs. 15,92,793/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Ninety Two Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Three Only). Loan Account: LNBAN00118-190001067.	SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY: All that piece and Parcel of the of property bearing Site. No. 50 formed in Sy.No: 20, 21, 22 & 24, Old V.P. Khatha No: 43/50 and New BBMP Khatha No: 65/50/50, Situated at Sorahunase Village, Madhuranagara layout, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore District Now comes under the limits of BBMP - BBMP Ward No: 149, and Bounded on: East By: Meriyamma House Property. West By: Road, North By: Shambaiah House Property, South By: Gayappa House Property.	14th September 2021	Rs.17,90,922/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Ninety Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Two Only) amount due as on 25-Aug-2021

The Borrowers and Co-Borrowers/Guarantors are therefore called upon to make payment of the above mentioned demanded amount with further interest as mentioned hereinabove in full within 60 Days of this Notice failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to take action under the act to enforce the above mentioned securities. Please note that as per Section 13 (13) of The Said Act. In the meanwhile, you are restrained from transferring the above referred securities by way of sale, lease or otherwise without our consent.

Date: 14.09.2021
Place: Bangalore
For IKF HOME FINANCE LIMITED
Authorised Officer

MADHYA PRADESH AGENCY FOR PROMOTION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(A Regd. Society of Govt. of M.P. Under Department of Information Technology)
State IT Centre, 47-A, Arera Hills, Bhopal-462011
Tel. +91-755-2554107, Fax : +91-755-2769824
Website : www.mapit.gov.in E-mail : map_it@mp.nic.in
RFP No. 2693 MAP_IT/2021 Bhopal, Dated : 14.09.2021

NOTICE FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

'RFP for Empanelment of Agencies for Providing Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) for Development, Implementation and Maintenance of GIS Development Projects for MAP_IT'

MAP_IT invites proposals from empanelment of suitable agencies for providing Project Monitoring Unit (PMU) for Development, Implementation and Maintenance of GIS Development Projects for MAP_IT.

For detailed scope and other terms and condition, please refer the RFP document available at <https://mptenders.gov.in/> and <https://www.mapit.gov.in/>. Interested Agencies who qualify as per the criteria mentioned in the RFP document, may submit their proposals online through the <https://mptenders.gov.in> only latest by 12 Oct. 2021 till 3.00 pm. Any updated, corrigendum, addendum etc. shall be made available only at MP Tenders portal.
M.P.M./101977/2021 (ADDITIONAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER)

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA Karnataka Building & Other Construction Workers Welfare Board

Kalyana Suraksha Bhavana, ITI Compound, Dairy Circle, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore - 560029
Phone:080-2875 3354 / 56, E-mail:karbuildworkerswelfare@gmail.com
No. KBOCWwb/Gadag/Chmrjngr/2021-22 Date:15-09-2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Short term tender (Two bid system-Technical and Financial bids) are hereby invited from interested Class-1 and above contractors for the following works and period as per Terms of Reference described in this notification-

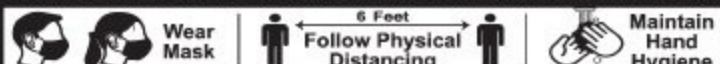
Tender No.	Description of work	Estimated Cost
DOL/2021-22 /BD/WORK- INDENT8	Construction of Compound wall for Transit Accommodation at Hulikoti Co-operative Housing Society Limited , Hulikoti village, GADAG Taluka, Gadag District.	Rs. 1,01,37,960/-
DOL/2021-22/ BD/WORK- INDENT9	Construction of Compound wall for Transit Accommodation at Badanaguppe-Kellamballi Industrial Area, Badanaguppe Village Kasaba Hobli Chamarajanagara Taluk, Chamarajanagara District.	Rs. 1,62,52,728/-

Period for the above works is Six Months. Tenders shall be submitted electronically through e-procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in of the Government of Karnataka. Last date of applying is 01-10-2021 up to 5.00 p.m. For further details & information can be obtained from the Joint Secretary, KBOCWWB during office hours.

Sd/- Joint Secretary,
KB & OCWWB

DIPR/DDU/RO1527/AAPL/2021-22

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Tatas put in financial bid for acquiring Air India

Disinvestment process moves to concluding stage, says DIPAM secy

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AS expected, Tata Sons has submitted a financial bid to acquire the state-run airline Air India. A Tata Sons spokesperson confirmed that the group has put in a bid for the national carrier.

Beside the Tatas, the conglomerate that founded Air India (AI), SpiceJet promoter Ajay Singh in his individual capacity is said to have put a bid for the airline. However, Singh is yet to confirm his interest to acquire Air India.

"Financial bids for Air India disinvestment received by transaction adviser. Process now moves to concluding stage," tweeted Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) Secretary Tuhin Kanta Pandey without disclosing the bidders.

According to sources, the government is keen on handing the loss-making carrier to its new owner over by December



this year. It is highly unlikely that the government will extend deadline for bids. Aviation minister Jyotiraditya Scindia had earlier made it clear that September 15 deadline for the process is fixed.

According to industry insiders, Tatas are the frontrunner to buy Air India as they have the capital and expertise. Tatas currently operates full service carrier Vistara (in partnership with Singapore International Airline) and no-frill airline AirAsia. It is not known yet if the group put in the bid on its own or

SpiceJet chief in fray?

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through the airlines it operates.

If the Tatas buy Air India, it will be homecoming for the Maharaja. Tatas set up Tata Airlines in 1932, which was renamed as Air India in 1946. The government then took control of the airline in 1953 but JRD Tata continued to be its chairman till 1977. The current chairman emeritus of Tata Group, Ratan Tata, was also at the helm of Air India between 1986 and 1989. Tatas were also the frontrunners when the government had tried but failed selling AI in 2001 and in 2017.

Tata Group denies reports of leadership restructuring

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

TATA Sons Chairman N Chandrasekaran has categorically denied any change in the leadership structure of the company.

In a statement issued on Wednesday, Chandrasekaran said: "I would like to state that no leadership structural changes are on the anvil, as speculated in certain sections of the media. Any such decisions, if relevant, are taken by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee."

The chairman of the \$106-billion conglomerate expressed extreme "disappointment with such stories that create disruption to regular operations."

A news agency report on Tuesday had claimed that the company is considering a proposal to create a position of chief executive officer as part of its plan to overhaul its leadership structure. As per the report, the company would choose the CEO from among the heads of different Tata group entities.

The news report had further claimed that the role of the CEO would be to guide different businesses of the group while the Chairman of the Group would oversee the functioning of the CEO.

It was also claimed that the proposed structural change in the Tata Group leadership was awaiting approval from Ratan Tata, who is the chairman of Tata Trust, which has the controlling stake of 66% in the company.

Household debt to rise further, says SBI report

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Covid pandemic has increased the debt burden of both rural and urban household, and in 2021, the rural household debt is expected to increase to ₹1.16 lakh and urban to ₹2.33 lakh, says a latest report from the State Bank of India.

"We estimated the 2021 rural and urban household debt to track the impact of Covid-19 on the households. In 2021 the rural household debt is expected to increase to ₹1.16 lakh and urban to ₹2.33 lakh, indicating that Covid impacted the households significantly," a report,

authored by Soumya Kanti Ghosh, Group Chief Economic Adviser, SBI said.

The recently released India Debt & Investment Survey (AIDIS) report for 2018 shows increase in average amount of debt among rural as well as urban households, with the average amount of debt increasing by 84% and by 42% respectively for rural and urban households for the 6 year period ended 2018.

As per the AIDIS report 2018, the average amount of debt among rural households is at ₹

59,748 and in urban households is ₹1.20 lakh, highlighting that five states, including Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Assam, witnessed a simultaneous doubling in average debt across both urban and rural households during this period.

According to SBI Ecowrap, the Covid-19 pandemic has resulted in spike in household debt to GDP rate.

"As per our estimates, it rose sharply to 37.3% in 2020-21 from 32.5% in 2019-20. We estimate that household debt as a percentage of GDP has de-

clined to 34% in Q1FY22 with the commensurate rise in GDP in Q1, though it has increased in absolute terms. We project that household debt in rural and urban areas might have doubled in 2021 from the 2018 levels," It added.

Ghosh also said that despite the "political cacophony", the recent reforms in Agriculture could further help in formalisation of the economy.

"However, there is still a fundamental reform pending that is in the realm of RBI. This is making Agriculture Cash-Credit at par with other segments," Ghosh added.

Global debt to touch record high of \$300 trillion by end of September

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Hyderabad

AS per IIF's latest Global Debt Monitor, 61-odd countries it monitored collectively borrowed \$4.8 trillion between April and June, 2021, taking the total global debt pile to a near \$296 trillion. As a ratio of global debt-to-GDP, it translates to 353% in June quarter, from a record high of 362% in March quarter.

If countries maintain June quarter's debt binge, global debt will likely breach the \$300-trillion mark by end of September.

Interestingly, emerging markets have been on a borrowing spree all through 2020 and 2021, but borrowings touched a fresh high of \$36 trillion during June quarter, driven by higher government borrowing. And the rise in debt levels

EMERGING MARKETS ON BORROWING SPREE

The rise in debt levels was the sharpest in China, which borrowed \$3.5 trillion between April and June; Public debt as % of GDP stood at 82.57% in India, as per the national debt clock.

was the sharpest in China, which borrowed \$3.5 trillion between April and June, taking its aggregate debt to about \$92 trillion. While the latest data for India wasn't immediately available, as per the national debt clock, which tracks data in real time, public debt as a percentage of GDP stood at 82.57%.

According to IIF estimates, during the March quarter, household debt to GDP rose to 39%, up from 35% over last year, while general government debt to GDP shot up to

84.2% from 72.2%. While non-financial corporates debt-to-GDP jumped 300 bps to 56.7%, financial sector's fell to 3.6% from 4.1%.

Globally, household debt rose by \$1.5 trillion in the first six months of 2021 to \$55 trillion, according to IIF which noted that almost a third of the 61 countries considered for the study saw an increase in household debt during the first six months of calendar year 2021.

The good news is, the debt-to-GDP ratio declined for the first time over the past six quarters, with 51 countries witnessing a decline in debt-to-GDP levels on the back of a rebound in economic activity.

It may be recalled that in absolute numbers, during the March quarter, global debt fell for the first time in 10 quarters by \$1.7 trillion to \$289 trillion.

Sensex gains 476 points; closes at record high

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

BULLS made a strong comeback on Wednesday after almost a week.

Despite weak global cues, the BSE Sensex, after recording a fresh all-time high of 58,777.06 closed at 58,723.20, up 476.11 points.

The Nifty 50 closed at a record high of 17,519.45, up 139.45 points. "Bulls were back in action and both benchmark indices closed at fresh record highs on renewed buying support, which was missing in the last few sessions. After a firm opening, benchmark Nifty cleared the important resistance of 17450. The intraday index rally was largely aided by strong investor participation in the telecom and oil & gas stocks," said Shrikant Chouhan, Executive Vice President, Equity Technical Research, Kotak Securities.

Power major NTPC was the top performer on the BSE on Wednesday, gaining over 7%, followed by Bharti Airtel, HCL Tech, Titan, SBI, Power Grid Corporation of India, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), Axis Bank, Asian Paints, UltraTech Cement, Nestle India, Sun Pharma, HDFC Bank were the top losers.

Barring Nifty Media, all the indices ended in the positive territory. Bharti Airtel recorded fresh highs on Wednesday and surpassed the ₹4 lakh crore mark in market capitalisation during the intraday trade. Ashis Biswas, Head of Technical Research at CapitalVia Global Research, said, "Momentum indicators like relative strength index (RSI) and Moving average convergence divergence (MACD) may stay positive and market breadth may improve, further strengthening the short-term bullish outlook."

Ford's exit not to derail investment in country: Invest India CEO

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

DESPITE the recent exit of Ford Motor and earlier GM Motors, the investment scenario in the country is looking bright, says Deepak Bagla, managing director and CEO of Invest India, the investment promotion agency of the government of India. Bagla says the exits of

the US companies are not because the Indian investment scenario has worsened but because these companies failed to 'read the world well'. "They did not think things would change so fast. Those companies which did not prepare well for the electric vehicle market are bound to fail," he said.

He, however, admitted that

the auto sector is going through a transition, and that there would be a period of lull before the sector picks up again. "A hybrid car fuel-based car has close to 30,000 auto parts, while an EV has just 80 parts. This transition to EVs will virtually end the existing supply chains," Bagla adds.

Rejecting the commentary

MPL gaming unicorn valued \$2.3 bn

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

MOBILE Premier League, Asia's largest esports and skill gaming platform, announced today that it raised its Series E round of funding led by Legatum Capital at a pre-money valuation of \$2.3 billion.

Mobile Premier League (MPL) has become the second gaming unicorn in a Series E round (undisclosed amount) at a \$2.3 billion valuation. The fundraise was led by Legatum Capital. Besides Legatum, ex-

isting investors including Sequoia, SIG, RTP Global, GoVentures, Moore Strategic Ventures, Play Ventures, Base Partners, Telstra Ventures, and Founders Circle Capital also participated in the round.

The gaming star-up is the 26th unicorn of this year.

MPL's closest rival Dream 11 became a unicorn in 2019 and raised \$400 million in 2021 so far and has also shot to fame by being the title spon-

sor of Indian Premier League tournament, 2020 with a sponsorship deal of ₹222 crore. MPL had raised \$95 million during a Series D funding round at a \$945 million valuation.

Sai Srinivas, Co-founder and CEO, MPL said that this investment is a recognition of the potential of the Indian gaming and esports industry and an endorsement of the capability of the start-up to expand globally.

Nod to ₹26k-cr incentive for auto sector

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for the auto sector to promote advance automotive technologies, including clean energy vehicles, with incentives worth ₹26,058 crore to be provided over a five-year period commencing FY23. Of the total amount, ₹25,938 crore has been set aside for the auto sector, while ₹120 crore will be offered to encourage production of drones and their parts.

Last year, the government had announced the scheme for the sector with an outlay of ₹57,043 crore, for a period of

₹120 CR TO ENCOURAGE PRODUCTION OF DRONES

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five years. However, it slashed the scheme outlay by over 50% to shift focus on green mobility. The scheme does not have much benefit for conventional automotive manufacturing, a segment which is reeling under prolonged slowdown.

"The new PLI scheme will work hand-in-hand with the Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Hybrid &) Electric Vehicles in India (FAME) Phase II

scheme and PLI scheme for advanced cells, and therefore, meets all the requirements of the electric vehicle ecosystem in India," said Minister of Information and Broadcasting Anurag Thakur while explaining why the scheme for the sector was scaled down.

The government believes that the auto sector could attract fresh investments of over ₹42,500 crore in five years



and incremental production of over ₹2.3 lakh crore with the introduction of the PLI scheme. This estimation comes days after US automaker Ford closed its manufacturing unit in Indian citing poor sales and losses to the tune of \$2 billion.

However, it also comes at a time when conventional OEMs such as Tata Motors, TVS and Hero MotoCorp have announced aggressive foray into EV space.

Sunjay Kapur, President of ACMA, said, "With global economies de-risking their supply chains, the PLI will aid India in developing into an attractive alternative source of high-end auto components."

Reprieve for Vodafone Idea as Cabinet clears new AGR definition

JONATHAN ANANDA @ Chennai

AS the Union Cabinet on Wednesday rationalised the definition of AGR to exclude non-telecom revenues, the move is seen as a critical change to the telecom landscape, and particularly so for Vodafone Idea (VIL).

AGR was the basis on which telcos paid statutory dues like spectrum usage charges and licence fees to the government and the 2019 verdict resulted in a ₹1.52 lakh crore liability for the sector, severely straining the already stressed balance sheets of incumbent telcos Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea. This remained true even after the SC relented and allowed telcos to pay their pending dues in annual instalments over 10 years.

While Bharti Airtel, boasting far better financial metrics than VIL, was able to raise sufficient capital in 2020 to meet its AGR obligations, the magnitude of the payments pushed VIL into far more treacherous terrain. Its auditors have repeatedly warned after the 2019 judgement that there was material uncertainty in VIL's ability to continue as a going concern. According to the Department of Telecom (DoT), Bharti Airtel owes a total of over ₹43,000 crore in AGR dues, of which it has already paid ₹18,004 crore. The company, in 2020, also raised over \$3 billion through both foreign bonds and an equity issue. In contrast, VIL has a total AGR liability of over ₹58,000 crore and paid over

₹7,800 crore so far. But it has struggled to find investors even though its board of directors approved a ₹25,000 crore fund raise through equity issues and non-convertible debentures as early as September last year.

With the industry's average revenue per user (ARPU) metrics sliding after the removal of the interconnect usage charge (IUC) system from January 1, 2021, and a continuous haemorrhaging of subscribers, VIL has posted loss after loss quarter after quarter, leaving it with little cash in hand to meet upcoming payments.

According to the auditor's note attached with its financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2021, VIL had a gross debt of ₹1.916 lakh crore at the end of the period. Of this, "the next instalment of the AGR liability and debt amounting to ₹16,853.4 crore is payable in next 12 months." Against this, the company had a cash balance and cash equivalents of just ₹920 crore.

However, analysts say that the four-year moratorium postpones payment liabilities worth an annual ₹9,000 crore (AGR dues) and ₹8,200 crore (spectrum dues) for VIL.

"This will be significant for VIL, because it frees them up from payments coming due within months and gives time to improve cash flow and/or get investors. The measures on the investment side and structural changes to levies and bank guarantees also make it easier to attract investors," said an industry executive.



Flipkart adds 66 warehouses; to hire 1.15 lakh before festivals

As e-commerce companies gear up to cater to peaked demand during the upcoming festive season, leading player Flipkart announced on Wednesday that it has added 66 new fulfillment and sortation centres across the country in addition to creating part-time employment opportunities for 1.15 lakh people. The e-tailer said that the new logistics infrastructure will be set up across Assam, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, and West Bengal. Flipkart has also strengthened its last-mile reach with the addition of more than 1,000 new delivery hubs (DH) across the country. As per a Forrester research, last year, Flipkart's share in the sale of fashion wear and mobile phones during the festive season was greater than that of rival Amazon.

India was only among a handful of countries which registered growth in foreign investment," he said. He further said that the most encouraging thing about the FDI numbers last year was that all states received investment from overseas unlike in the past when only 7-10 states would get investment.

IN THE COURT OF THE ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C. AT HOSKOTE

Civils 105/2021

BETWEEN: Munjanna & other 2 to 13 Al are Reading at Siddanahalli Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District
Petitioners
AND
1. Tansidar Registrar of Birth & Death Hoskote Taluk, Hoskote, 2. Padamma & other 3 to 23 Al are residing at Siddanahalli Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District
Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the petitioners have filed the above petition seeking the direction to the Registrar/Registrar of Birth and Deaths to issue for issuance of death certificate of father in law of 1st and 8th petitioner and grandfather of the Petitioner no 2 to 7 and 10 to 13 namely Somappa S/o Late Giddebanappa he was died on 14/01/1989 at Siddanahalli Village, Nandagudi Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, the case is posed the appearance of interested parties/public on 19/10/2021 at 11 a.m. before the ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C. AT HOSKOTE court. Hence interested parties are hereby required to appear in person or through advocate on 19/10/2021, at 11 a.m. failing which the above case will be disposed as ex-parte. Given under my hand and seal of the court this day of 13/09/2021, September 2021.

Advocate For Petitioners
By order of this court, Sd/- Shrinivas C N
Civil Judge & J.M.F.C. at Hoskote

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client Sri MANJUNATH M, R/at Addevishwanathapura Village, Rajanakunte, Bangalore - 64, has lost his original registered Land Agreement dt: 15.05.2010, executed by Sri RAJANNA vide doc No.HSR-1-00448-2010-11, Book-1, CD No. HSRD44, in the office of SRO, Hesaraghatta, BNIT. In this regards a online complaint has been lodged U/S 155 CrP.C., Vide Lost Report No. 0045219/2021, dated 07/09/2021. Anybody having found the above document can inform/contact the undersigned within 7 days from the date of issue of this notice.

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LOST

ORIGINAL SALE DEED

Original Sale Deed belongs to Owner D.S.Padmnathi, aged about 71 years, W/o Sri D.S.Sathyanyaraya, residing at No.32, 2nd Cross, Shankarapuram, Jnanodaya School Cross Road, Bangalore - 560 004, lost the Original Sale Deed of Site No.992, formed in Sy.No.101, 103, 104, 105 and 106 of Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, formed by the Vijayabharathi House Building Co-operative Society Limited in the 2nd Phase of Girinagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 60 Feet and North to South: 40 Feet, in all measuring 2400 Square Feet, bounded on the East by: Road, West by: Site No.843, North by: Site No.391 and South by: Site No.993, registered as Document No.5758/2003-04 dated 16.05.2003, CD No. 128, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kengeri, Bangalore, has been lost during transit on 08.09.2021 at Jayanagar surrounding.

Finder please Contact:
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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that, my Client Sri. Venkataramaiah, S/o. Late. Kondaiiah, Residing at No. 23, 1st Main, 1st Cross, SSA Road, Hebbal, Bangalore - 560 024, has lost the Original Sale Deed dated 24/11/2008 executed by K Vijayalakshmi in favour of B.L Venugopal, Registered vide document No. JAL-1-02149-2008-09, CD No. JALD31, SRO, Jala, Bangalore, in respect of the Residential Site bearing No. 11 (Eastern Portion), Khatath No. 185, (Now comes under BBMP Limits), situated at Kattingenahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, and including all rights, privileges, appurtenances, there to and measuring East to West : 35 Ft. and North to South : 22 Ft., total measuring 770 Sq. Ft. If any of the Public Persons find or in possession of the Original Sale Deed dated 24/11/2008, shall hand over to the address mentioned below.

Date: 15.09.2021 Place: Bengaluru
Sd/- K.S CHANDRA SHEKAR
Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India,
No.21, Dhondusa Layout,
Off. Bull Temple Road, Mount Joy Cross Road, Hanumanthanagar,
Bengaluru-19. Mob: 9448366193

RAH Branch
M. G. Road,
Bengaluru - 560 001

Possession Notice

Section 13(4) (For Immoveable Property)

Whereas, Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 14.06.2021 calling upon the borrower **MR.KANAKARAJ B R S/O RAMACHANDRAPPA** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. Rs.96,32,725/-** (Rupees ninety six lakhs thirty two thousand seven hundred and twenty five only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **13th day of September of the year 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs.96,32,725/-** (Rupees ninety six lakhs thirty two thousand seven hundred and twenty five only) as per demand notice and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immoveable Property

All the piece & parcel of the 3BHk apartment bearing no.B-701 on 7th Floor, in apartment named "TIVOLI" having a super built-up are of 1865 sq.ft. including two covered car parkings in basement, inclusive of proportionate share in all the common areas & assigned as e-Khattha no.150200401700520064, located in residentially converted land in Sy. no.118 & 119, totally measuring 04 acres 15 guntas, Khattha no.120 of Seeghalli village Panchayath, situated at Seeghalli village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk. **Bounded:** On the North by : Road, On the South by : Private land & remaining portion of Syno 118, On the East by : 6th Block of Syno 118, On the West by : 3rd block of Sy no 118
Place : Bangalore
Date : 13.09.2021

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India
(A Govt. of India Undertaking)

Dasarahalli Branch, No.1478, Ground Floor, DRLS Plaza, Tumkur Road, Dasarahalli Peenya Bangalore-560057. Ph: 080-22959626, E-mail: bml1660@unionbankofindia.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1) (For Immoveable Properties))

Whereas, the under signed being the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India, (erstwhile Andhra Branch) Dasarahalli Branch, Bangalore under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices dated calling upon the following Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest / cost etc., within 60 days from the date of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower under.

1. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors: Mr. Ramadas C S/o Chinnaba No.55/2, 2nd Cross, Maranna Layout, Doddabidarhalli, Yeshwanthapur Hobli, Thippinalli, Nagasandra Post, Bengaluru-560073. (1) C Nagaraj Rao S/o Chandrashekar Rao No.23, 4th Cross, Vinayaka Nagar, Tumkur Road, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore -560073. (2) H Vanil Kumar Kamath S/o Late H Prabhakar No.8 & 9, Jyothi Nilaya, 5th A Cross, Behind Divya Residency, Defence Colony, Hesaraghatta Main Road, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560073. (3) Smt Lakshmi R W/o Ramadas C No.55/2, 2nd Cross, Maranna Layout, Doddabidarhalli, Yeshwanthapur Hobli, Thippinalli, Nagasandra Post, Bengaluru-560073.

Demand notice dated : 20.04.2021 Possession Notice Date : 14.09.2021

Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.32,25,408.86/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Four Hundred Eight and Eighty Six Only) as on 20/04/2021 and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of Immoveable Property: Land and building: Residential belonging to Mr. Ramadas and Lakshmi (Owner of the property) situated at All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No.3, Katha No.55, formed in Sy.No.55/2, 2nd Cross, Maranna Layout, Doddabidarhalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore, and measuring East to West : 37ft. North to South : 37ft. Totally 1369 Sq.ft, bounded by East by: Road, West by: Channappa Remaining Portion of Property, North by: Channappa Remaining portion of Property, South by: Site No.04.

2. Name of the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors: (1) Mr. Ranganatha H T S/o Mr. Thippeshappa H A No.175, 1st Main, 7th Cross, Soundarya Nagar, Sidehalli, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore-560073. (2) Mrs. Manjula B W/o Ranganatha H T No.175, 1st Main, 7th Cross, Soundarya Nagar, Sidehalli, Nagasandra Post, Bangalore-560073.

Demand notice dated : 20.04.2021 Possession Notice Date : 14.09.2021

Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.9,47,610/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Forty Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Ten Only) as on 22/04/2021 and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of Immoveable Property: Land and building: Residential belonging to Mr. Ranganatha H T (Owner of the Property) Situated at Site No.12, Katha No.11/3 and 56, Thodiguddahalli, Dasanapur Hobli, Bangalore North-560073, measuring East to West : 35 feet , and North to South 20 feet, totally 700 Sq feet, and bounded by East by: Remaining Portion of the same property, West by: 18Feet Road, North by: Property No.11, South by: Property No.13.

The above borrowers / Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors and the public in general that the under signed has taken symbolic possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with the rule 8 of the said Rules on above dates. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Dasarahalli Branch** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

Date : 14.09.2021
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

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STATE BANK OF INDIA
ASSETS RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH (ARMB), BENGALURU

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: Sri. Rastogi K K
E-mail id: sbi.40564@sbi.co.in
Mobile No: +91 9480841423
Landline No. (Office): 080-2594 3769

Address of the Branch:
2nd Floor, 'A' Block,
B.K.G. Complex, Mysore Bank Circle,
Avenue Road, Bengaluru - 560 009.
Contact: CCO: **Smt. R. Kokila**
Mob: 9742756771, Tel:080-25943769

"APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to Rule 8 (6)]
e-AUCTION ON 07-10-2021
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE /MOVABLE PROPERTIES

e-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immoveable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgagor(s) in particular that the below described immoveable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", AND "WHATEVER THERE IS"** basis on for recovery of **Rs 11.81,365/-** (Rupees Eleven lakhs eighty one thousand three hundred sixty five only) as on 31-08-2021 + interest + Cost and expenses, costs, charges, etc. and further interest at contractual rate from 01-09-2021 + expenses thereon, with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from **Sri B. Basappa S/o Late Sri Basappa and Smt. Shobha Basappa W/o Sri. B. Basappa.**

SL. No.	Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid Increment Amount	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1.	Rs.26,64,000/-	Rs.2,66,400/-	Rs.30,000/-	On or before 04.10.2021, 4:00 PM

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTIES WITH KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES (IF ANY)

All that piece and parcel of House property in the name of Sri. Basappa B. S/o Shri Late Basappa, bearing Site No. 19, Sy. No. 44, "Sri Sai Enclave" Appagere Village, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagera District. **Bounded by:** East: Road, West: Other property, North: Site No. 18, South: Site No. 20.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, the secured Creditors website <https://www.msccommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp..>
www.sbi.co.in
Place: Bangalore
Date : 02.09.2021

Sd/-
(Sri. K.K. Rastogi)
Authorised Officer

GOKULA BRANCH,
No.438, HMT Main Road, Bengaluru
(Ph.No.080-23375050)

[Format-Y] E-Auction Sale Notice under SARFAESI Act 2002

Sale of immoveable assets under the Securitization and Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Hereinafter referred to as the Act)

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s in particular that the under mentioned property mortgaged to Canara Bank, Bangalore, the possession of which had been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank under Section 13(4) of the Act will be sold by E-Auction as mentioned below for recovery of under mentioned dues and applicable interest, charges and cost etc as detailed below.

The property described below is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE IS AND WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS" under rule no. 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules (hereinafter referred to as the rules) for the recovery of the dues detailed as under:

(1) Name and address of Borrower : **M/s Lakshmi Garments**, No.14, 2nd A Main Road, Gandhi Grama, Srirampura, Bangalore-560021. (Borrower) Mrs Lakshmi V S W/o Srinivas C, No.985, Ward No 2 K K Pet, Siddaghatta, Chikballapur-562105. (Partner & Guarantor) Mrs Ramamani C, W/o J J Jayanna, No.991, 11th Main, 1st Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwara nagara, Bangalore-560079 (partner & Guarantor)

The total amount due: **Rs. 1,61,22,314.61** as on 31.08.2021 with further interest/ charges from 01.09.2021

Description of the Immoveable Property: Plot and Industrial shed standing in the name of Mrs. Ramamani C, All the piece and parcel of Site and Industrial Shed Property No.16 & 17, comes under BBMP Limit, located at House List No 192 & 193, 4th Cross, Shivapura, Nelagadarenahalli, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North 560058 and bounded by the: East By: Property of Byrappa, West By: 30 Feet Road, North By: Property No. 15, South By: Road.

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

The details regarding E-Auction are mentioned below:

Date and Time of E-Auction	Reserve price / Earnest money Deposit (EMD)	Plot / Buildings	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
30.09.2021 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM		Site & Industrial Shed Property No.16 & 17, comes under BBMP limit, located at House List No. 192 & 193, 4th Cross, Shivapura, Nelagadarenahalli, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North 560058 Plot : Area : 2600 Sq.ft, Building : Ground Floor Shed 1950 Sq.ft	Rs. 108.00 Lakhs (Rupees Ten Lakhs Eighty Lakhs only)	Rs. 10,80,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Eighty Thousand Only)

Details of Auction Service Provider
M/s Canbank Computer Service Ltd, Contact Person Mr. Pakhare DD/ Mr Ramesh T H, Contact no. 9480691777, 8553643144, email: eaction@ccsl.co.in

DD Favoring on RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer
Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Gokula Branch, Bangalore Or Account No : 0690295000001 IFSC Code : CNRB0000690 on or before 25.09.2021 before 4.00 pm.

Bid Factor
1 Lakh

Date & Time of Inspection
10.09.2021 to 20.09.2021 between 03.00 PM to 04.00 PM.

(2) Name and address of Borrower : **(1) Mallikarjuna N**, No 475/30, 7th Cross, 9th Main 1st Stage, 2nd Phase Yeshwanthapura, Bangalore-560022.

The total amount due: **Rs 1,82,67,966.56** as on 19.08.2021 plus further interest and cost from 20.08.2021

Description of the Immoveable Property: Residential site and building bearing Old No.475, Site No.30, PID No.4-130-30, Mathikere Village, Gokula Ist Stage, Bangalore North Taluk, BBMP Ward No. 45, Bengaluru District, measuring East to West : 49 ft. and North to South : 40 ft. = Total = 1960 sq. Boundaries: East : Property of Narsimiah, West: Road, North: Road, South: Portion of Srikanthachar.

The details regarding E-Auction are mentioned below:

Date and Time of E-Auction	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
Date: 30.09.2021 Time: 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM	Rs 277.70	Rs 27.77

Details of Auction Service Provider
M/s Canbank Computer Service Ltd, Contact Person Mr. Pakhare DD/ Mr Ramesh T H, Contact no. 9480691777, 8553643144, email: eaction@ccsl.co.in

DD Favoring on RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer
Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Gokula Branch, Bangalore Or Account No : 0690295000001 IFSC Code : CNRB0000690 on or before 25.09.2021 before 4.00 pm.

Bid Factor
3 Lakhs

Date & Time of Inspection
10.09.2021 to 20.09.2021 between 03:00 PM to 04:00

(3) Name and address of Borrower : **(1) Mr.Srinivas C.N S/o Narappa**, No.985, Ward No.92, K.K.Pete, Siddaghatta, Chikballapur District - 562105 (Borrower) **Mrs Ramamani C W/o J J Jayanna**, No.991, 11th Main, 1st Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagara, Bangalore-560079 (Guarantor)

The total amount due: **Rs. 1,58,12,107.07** as on 31.08.2021 with further interest/ charges from 01.09.2021

Description of the Immoveable Property: Plot and Industrial shed standing in the name of Mrs. Ramamani C, All the piece and parcel of Site and Industrial Shed Property No.16 & 17, comes under BBMP Limit, located at House List No 192 & 193, 4th Cross, Shivapura, Nelagadarenahalli, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North 560058 and bounded by the:- East By: Property of Byrappa, West By: 30 Feet Road, North By: Property No. 15, South By: Road

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

The details regarding E-Auction are mentioned below:

Date and Time of E-Auction	Reserve price / Earnest money Deposit (EMD)	Plot / Buildings	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
30.09.2021 between 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM		Site & Industrial Shed Property No.16 & 17, comes under BBMP limit, located at House List No. 192 & 193, 4th Cross, Shivapura, Nelagadarenahalli, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North 560058 Plot : Area : 2600 Sq ft, Building : Ground Floor Shed 1950 Sq.ft	Rs.1,08,00,000/- (Rs. One Crore Eight Lakhs only)	Rs. 10,80,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Eighty Thousand Only)

Details of Auction Service Provider
M/s Canbank Computer Service Ltd, Contact Person Mr. Pakhare DD/ Mr Ramesh T H, Contact no. 9480691777, 8553643144, email: eaction@ccsl.co.in

DD Favoring on RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer
Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Gokula Branch, Bangalore Or Account No : 0690295000001 IFSC Code : CNRB0000690 on or before 25.09.2021 before 4.00 pm.

Bid Factor
1 Lakh

Date & Time of Inspection
10.09.2021 to 20.09.2021 between 03.00 PM to 04.00 PM

1. The EMD shall be deposited through RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer to the credit of respected Accounts Mentioned above before submitting bids online. EMD can also be paid by way of Pay Order / Demand Draft in favour of Canara Bank Payable at Bangalore.

2. The intending bidders should submit the duly filled in Bid form (format available in the above website) along with DD/PO/quoteing the UTR No. of NEFT/RTGS remittance towards EMD in a sealed cover addressed to the Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, Above Mentioned Address (Address of AO) so as to reach on or before **25.09.2021**

3. Bidders are advised to visit the Bank's website www.indianbankseaction.com for detailed e-auction notice wherein all the terms and conditions of e-auction sale are furnished. Bidders may also visit the website of service provider or contact them as per the details given above for any clarifications/queries.

4. Intending bidders shall hold a valid Digital Signature Certificate, active email address and PAN number.

5. The undersigned has the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any bid or postpone/cancel the sale or modify any terms and conditions of the sale without any prior notice and assigning any reason.

6. The sale shall be subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in the Act, Rules and the conditions prescribed in the detailed terms and conditions published in the website.

7. For further details contact the Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, Above Mentioned address.

Please treat this also as a notice under rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s of the secured debt mentioned above regarding holding the said sale on the above mentioned date and time if their outstanding dues mentioned above are not repaid in full.

The interested bidders are requested to visit the bank's website for detailed terms and conditions of the auction sale which may be read as part and parcel of this advertisement

Note: EMD Shall be stipulated at 10% of the reserve price, *depending upon the asset of movable or immovable or both - retain the respective portion.

Place : Bengaluru
Date : 15.09.2021

Sd/- AUTHORISED OFFICER
CANARA BANK

STATE BANK OF INDIA
ASSETS RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH (ARMB), BENGALURU

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: Sri. Rastogi K K
E-mail id: sbi.40564@sbi.co.in
Mobile No: +91 9480841423
Landline No. (Office): 080-2594 3769

Address of the Branch:
2nd Floor, 'A' Block,
B.K.G. Complex, Mysore Bank Circle,
Avenue Road, Bengaluru - 560 009.
Contact: CCO: **Smt. R. Kokila**
Mob: 9742756771, Tel:080-25943769

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e-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immoveable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)/Mortgagor(s) in particular that the below described immoveable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", AND "WHATEVER THERE IS"** basis on for recovery of **Rs 11.81,365/-** (Rupees Eleven lakhs eighty one thousand three hundred sixty five only) as on 31-08-2021 + interest + Cost and expenses, costs, charges, etc. and further interest at contractual rate from 01-09-2021 + expenses thereon, with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from **Sri B. Basappa S/o Late Sri Basappa and Smt. Shobha Basappa W/o Sri. B. Basappa.**

SL. No.	Reserve Price (Below which the properties will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid Increment Amount	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1.	Rs.26,64,000/-	Rs.2,66,400/-	Rs.30,000/-	On or before 04.10.2021, 4:00 PM

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTIES WITH KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES (IF ANY)

All that piece and parcel of House property in the name of Sri. Basappa B. S/o Shri Late Basappa, bearing Site No. 19, Sy. No. 44, "Sri Sai Enclave" Appagere Village, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagera District. **Bounded by:** East: Road, West: Other property, North: Site No. 18, South: Site No. 20.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in State Bank of India, the secured Creditors website <https://www.msccommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp..>
www.sbi.co.in
Place: Bangalore
Date : 02.09.2021

Sd/-
(Sri. K.K. Rastogi)
Authorised Officer

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CHANGE OF NAME

AFFIDAVIT

I, **BHAGYAMMA .V.S**, W/o Chandra Shekar N., age 34 years, residing at No. 38, Shrivani Apartment, 5th Cross, Narasimhaiah Layout, Ramamurthy Nagar, Doornanagar, Bengaluru-560 016 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **BHAGYAMMA V.S.** to **BHAGYA S.**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **BHAGYA S.** only for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 14.09.2021, sworn before **A d v o c a t e a n d N o t a r y PUTTARAMAIAH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, 1) **DHARMENDRA GUPTA** (father) and 2) **SUNITA** (Mother), R/o No. 20, SM Layout, Choodasandra Circle, Near Manasa Public School, Bangalore-560 099 do hereby declare that we have changed our minor son's name from **AKASH DHARMENDRA to AAKASH GUPTA**, henceforth he shall be known and called as **AAKASH GUPTA** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 15th Sept. 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, 1) **CHANNAYYA SWAMY** (father) and 2) **GEETHA** (mother) R/o No. 27, Hanumantha Reddy Layout, Kodathi Gate, Carmelaram Post, Bangalore-560 035 do hereby declare that we have changed our minor daughter's name from **AISHAWARYA to AISHAWARYA BUDINALA CHANNAYYA SWAMY**, henceforth she shall be known and called as **AISHAWARYA BUDINALA CHANNAYYA SWAMY** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 14-8-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU B.N.** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **KALPANA ANAND**, residing permanently at No. 54, 9th Cross, Motappanapalya, Near Cauvery School, Indiranagar, Bangalore-560 038, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KALPANA KUMAR to KALPANA ANAND**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **KALPANA ANAND** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 14th Sept. 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **A. IDINABBA** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

We, **V. MURALI** S/o V. Krishna Reddy, aged about 50 years and **V. SAILAJA**, aged about 38 years, R/o Sy. No. 226/1, Near Silver Oaks School, Dommasandra, Sarjapur Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka-562125, do hereby declare that in our daughter's 10th Marksheet our names mistakenly recorded as **V. MURALIDHAR and V. SAILAJA REDDY** instead of **V. MURALI and V. SAILAJA**, henceforth we shall be known and called as **V. MURALI and V. SAILAJA** in all our daughter's documents, vide affidavit dated 09-09-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ROOPA G. BHANDARE** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Eswori Devi Rijal**, Spouse of **No.13627276X, Rink L/NK, Mahendra Bahadur Rijal**, presently residing at 2Para SF, Hebbal, Bengaluru-560092, have changed my name from **Eswori Devi Rijal** to **Eswori Kumari Bhandari** vide Affidavit dated 13/09/2021 before Notary **Sivakumara.M.N.** in Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **M. Prabhu**, S/o P. Mohan, aged about 50 years, R/at. No.S-3, HIG, GVR Enclave, 'A' Sector, 1st Phase, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore - 560064, have changed my minor son's name from **'P. SHRI KUMAR'** to **'P. JAYADEV'**, vide affidavit dated: 15.09.2021 Sworn before notary **AMBUJAKSHI**, Advocate, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Basavaraju N.L.**, son of N.G. Lakshmanappa aged about 42 years, Residing at No.1211/A, 4th Main, 4th Cross, 4th Stage, BTM layout, Bangalore-560076, I have Changed my Name from **"Basavaraju N.L." to VINAY KUMAR SHETTY** vide affidavit dated: 15/09/2021 and I hereby authorise and request all persons to designate and address me by such assumed name **"VINAY KUMAR SHETTY"**, Sworn before Notary, P.N. Nagesha, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

Smt. M.S. VANISHREE, aged about 50 years, Wife of Mr. B.S. Manjunath, R/at No. 601/A, "SATHYODAYA", First Cross, Third Main, 2nd Phase, BEML 5th Stage, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore-560098, hereby inform that she sworn an affidavit as to request for correction of her mother's name in the passport bearing No. J 7946063 issued by Regional Passport Office Bangalore and her mother name to correct as **Smt. Sheshamma**, vide affidavit dated 13.09.2021, sworn before the Notary B. Chitra, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **S SETHA MARAI**, wife of Muniswamy Senguttuvan, Ex-CH EAAR, No.093597Y, INDIAN NAVY, resident of No. 1796/A, 9th Cross, RPC Layout, Hampinagar, Bengaluru-560104, have changed my Name from **S SETHA MARAI to SENTHAMARAI SENGUTTUVA**n vide Affidavit dated 15-09-

Prime league launched, VFI says not recognised

VIVEK KRISHNAN @ Chennai

ON a day when Prime Volleyball League (PVL) — an initiative of Baseline Ventures — was formally launched in Hyderabad with the announcement of the six teams taking part, the Volleyball Federation of India (VFI) attempted to throw a spanner in the works by stating that it could penalise the players who participate in the private league.

The Prime Volleyball League is a rechristened version of the Pro Volleyball League, which was held in February 2019. Five of the six teams remain the same while a new team from Bengaluru — Bengaluru Torpedoes — will replace the team from Mumbai, U Mumba. Chennai Spartans, meanwhile, will now be known as Chennai Blitz. The other teams are Calicut Heroes, Kochi Blue Spikers, Ahmedabad Defenders and Black Hawks Hyderabad. The team from Chennai had won the PVL two years ago. The players' auctions are set to be held in December.

"Those who play in PVL will be disqualified by the federation. The people organising PVL have selfish interests. We won't allow the players to play in a private league," VFI secretary Anil Choudhary told this daily on Wednesday.

Choudhary said that the national federation will start its own league for the players soon.

"The inaugural season of

Our own event by January: Jakhar

THE Volleyball Federation of India (VFI) says the Prime Volleyball League (PVL) won't be recognised by the governing body for the sport in the country. No federation official will be associated with it. The VFI has also said it will not give permission to the league. This is because, according to Ramavtar Singh Jakhar, the federation has already announced its own league, the Indian Volleyball League (IVL). It is set to begin by January. **Indraneel Das reports**

Pro Volleyball League was held in 2019. After that, we realised that they don't have the right

intentions, which is why the second season was not held," Choudhary claimed.

The organisers of PVL, though, are confident that the league will face no hiccups. Joy Bhattacharjya, CEO of PVL, insisted that there is no legal ground for the federation to prevent players from exercising their right to earn a living.

"When Ramavtar Singh Jakhar was secretary of VFI, he made a statement to the Competition Council of India in a court of law where he stated that the federation has no objections to anyone starting a volleyball league. Legally, they have no ground to stand on. Nobody can stop a player from exercising his right to make a living," Bhattacharjya said.

The players, according to Bhattacharjya, are tired of the federation's ways. "Without taking the players into confidence, we wouldn't start something like this. Among our owners, we have people who are intimately associated with the players. Five of the teams have returned. Even the international players are delighted that the league is starting and are ready to return. If the VFI wants to start its own league, then go ahead. The more leagues there are, the better it is for volleyball. No player we have spoken to is worried about the federation because they are sick of the federation," he explained.

For the players, it is a tricky situation to wriggle out of.

India's Test specialist Hanuma Vihari, who had left Hyderabad to play for Andhra to further his international prospects, is back "home" after five seasons for the upcoming domestic season. Vihari, pupil of India's fielding coach R Sidhar, had left Hyderabad in the 2015-16 season after MSK Prasad, the then chairman of selectors had offered him Andhra captaincy

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In search of consistency

With the 2021 edition of the IPL set to resume in May owing to Covid-19, the teams have to adjust to a change in venue midway through a season as well as the fact that quite a few players are now unavailable. As part of the build-up, here's a look at how Rajasthan Royals (RR) and Punjab Kings (PBKS) — ranked 5th and 6th currently — stack up...

Punjab Kings	Matches played	Matches remaining	Current Position
	8	6	6

STORY SO FAR: Lacked consistency in the first-half. Despite beating the likes of Mumbai Indians and Royal Challengers Bangalore, they were not able to click as a unit. They have used 18 players so far, which tells how they struggled to identify their right combination. While their batting-order is top-heavy with the likes of KL Rahul, Mayank Agarwal and Chris Gayle, it is the middle-order that needs attention. If Deepak Hooda and Shikhar Dhawan can give them stability, then they can dream of a top-four finish. In the bowling front, wickets have been hard to come by with Mohammed Shami's eight being the highest. The arrival of Adil Rashid should bolster their attack.

STAR PERFORMER
KL Rahul
331 runs

Rajasthan Royals	Matches played	Matches remaining	Current Position
	7	7	5

STORY SO FAR: Already without Ben Stokes and Jos Archer, they are going to be without Jos Buttler and will now have to bank on new players to take them to the play-offs. All said and done, they struggled to win two matches on the trot, but when they fired as a unit, opponents struggled to stop them. Much will now depend on their new imports: Evin Lewis, Tabraiz Shamsi will perform. In Liam Livingstone they have a big-hitter in the middle-order who can make heads turn in the IPL, like he did in the Hundred. The likes of Sanju Samson, Chris Morris and David Miller have to deliver.

STAR PERFORMER
Chris Morris
14 wickets



RECOGNITION

Hockey Karnataka on Wednesday felicitated umpire Raghu Prasad (standing, second left) and assistant coach of the Indian Indian women's team, Ankitha at the Olympic Bhavan on Wednesday. They were awarded one lakh each with Raghu having officiated at the Tokyo Olympics while Ankitha was part of the women's coaching staff in the Olympics. A cheque of Rs 2 lakh was also presented to India forward SV Sunil (standing, third left). Junior men's coach BJ Kariappa was awarded Rs 1 lakh too. KOA President K Govindaraj, state sports minister KC Narayana Gowda and other dignitaries were also present at the function | **SHRIRAMBN**

EXPRESS READ

Fitness test must for K'taka cricket team selection

ASHIM SUNAM @ Bengaluru

BE it domestic or international cricket, one cannot stress enough the importance of fitness in the gentleman's game these days. And, just being skilled with bat and ball may not be enough for players to represent Karnataka in the upcoming domestic season. With the 35-member probables camp having started on Wednesday, the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) management has made fitness test a mandatory criteria for players to make it to the final list of 20 players.

Though the players have been playing active cricket for the last few months in the local KSCA leagues, this test will help the coaches know where players stand in terms of fitness. The test will be conducted for all probables before selection. It is important to note that players had had normal fitness standards with yoyo

tests and 2km run in the last couple of seasons, but it was not mandatory.

"This year the KSCA management has taken a decision to conduct fitness tests for all players for selection. We are working towards it. The tests are on par with the NCA protocol... Yoyo test is 17.1, 2km: 8 minutes 15 seconds for pacers and 8:30 for the others. We will have the fitness test for all the probables and it is mandatory criteria for them to make it to final 20," said head coach Yere Goud.

Of the 35 players, only 23 are currently in the camp as 12 of them, including two net bowlers in the form of Shubhang Hedge and Kushal Wadhvani are in the IPL in UAE.

At the nets in the KSCA(B) ground, Goud was also keeping a close eye on the batsmen. Video recording of all the batsmen were also taken at the camp, which will be analysed.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Sundeeper in quarters

BENGALURU: Sundeeper Patil delivered the goods to beat BC Karthik 4 – 3 to reach the quarterfinals of the senior men's snooker state ranking tournament on Wednesday. Likewise, Adil Sherazi also sealed his quarters berth after a close 4-3 win over Abhijit More.

Manchester United suffer shock defeat in CL

PARIS: Manchester United suffered a 2-1 loss at Young Boys despite a goal from Cristiano Ronaldo in their Champions League opener on Tuesday, while Chelsea kicked off their title defence by beating Zenit. Robert Lewandowski struck twice for Bayern Munich as the German heavyweights inflicted a 3-0 defeat on Barcelona at Camp Nou in their first European game since the departure of Lionel Messi. Ronaldo, the leading scorer in Champions League history, bagged his 135th goal in the competition after 13 minutes in Bern, but Swiss champions Young Boys hit back after the sending-off of Aaron Wan-Bissaka.

BFC beat Kerala Blasters

KOLKATA: Bengaluru FC began their Durand Cup campaign with a 2-0 victory over Kerala Blasters FC in their Group C opener in Kolkata on Wednesday. Namgyal Bhutia's freekick ('45') put the Blues in front before the break, and Leon Augustine (70') sealed the win in the second half.

India ready for Finland

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

THE Espoo Metro Arena, located in the city of Espoo, is well known across Finland. The venue used to play host to Espoo Blues, one of the country's ice hockey clubs. The Arena also conducts concerts. Over the last week or so, the venue has undergone a transformation. The goalposts have been removed and the ice has been transported out. In its place, a wooden plank has been installed, a carpet has been positioned and a net has been placed. The venue is now ready to host the two-day Davis Cup 1st Round tie between India and Finland, beginning on Friday.

While the venue was being given a cosmetic makeover, India had a few practice sessions at a private club earlier in the week.

"We have been practicing here at a private club in Helsinki because the match courts were not ready," All-India Tennis Association joint-secretary Sunder Iyer, who has travelled with the team, told this daily. "We started practicing at the venue from Tuesday. We will all be in a bubble for the duration of the tie (Tuesday to Saturday). The whole team has assembled here, they are in good spirits, we had a great official dinner too. They are all fit, fine and hitting well at this moment."

When they shifted to the match courts on Tuesday, the team were surprised, in a good way, about the way the surface was behaving. "The bounce is pretty slow and low so that's good for us," team captain Rohit Rajpal told this daily. It's good from an Indian point of view because both Prajnesh Gunneswaran and Ramkumar Ramanathan, the country's lead singles players, "hit the ball flat", Rajpal explained.

This sort of advantage, away from home, is always welcome. Especially when there is a top-100 (Emil Ruusuvuori) nominated singles player in the opposition ranks. "It's always tough to prepare a team, especially playing against an opposition that has a player in the top 100," says coach, Zeeshan Ali.

"If you look at it in terms of ranking, we are the underdogs. One of their singles players is ranked in the top 70. Their doubles combination has higher combined ranking than our top two. Of course playing away from home is always tough," Ali said.

"It's going to be a tough tie, no doubt about it. We need to win at least one singles match on the first day, that's very important. The boys are hitting the ball well. They are feeling healthy at the moment."

On paper, Finland do begin slight favourites. But, in Davis Cup play, form and ranking go out the window.

No Manika for Asian C'ship

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

THE squad for the Asian Championships to be held in Doha from September 28-October 5 was announced by Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI) Wednesday. And it was mainly along expected lines with the omission of India's top woman paddler, Manika Batra, set to be the major talking point.

The men's team will be spearheaded by A Sharath Kamal, the country's highest-ranked paddler at World No 33. G Sathiyan (World No 38), Harmeeet Desai (71), Manav Thakkar (134) and Sanil Shetty (247) are the other members.

Among women, World No 97 Sutirtha Mukherjee will lead women's team and she will be accompanied by Ayhika Mukherjee (131), Archana Kamath (132) and Akula Sreeja (143). The federation had already intimated to all paddlers post the Tokyo Olympics that for a player to be eligible for selection, they will have to attend national camps. Despite the notice, Manika chose to stay behind in Pune and train with her personal coach.

In men's doubles, India will have two pairs, Sathiyan-Sharath and Manav-Harmeeet, while among women, the combinations will be Sutirtha and Ayhika, Sreeja and Archana.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

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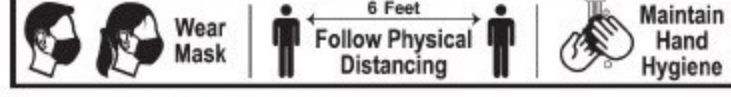
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Sl. No.	Name of the Works	Est Cost (₹. in Lakhs)
1.	Improvements to Roads and Drains at Kenchenahalli, Halagevaderahalli and Surrounding Areas in Ward No-160 Rajarajeshwari Nagar.	100.00
2.	Improvements and Asphaltting to Selected Cross Roads and Main Roads in Ward No-129 Jnanabharathi.	180.00
3.	Additional Works to Jalahalli Govt School in Ward No-16.	300.00
4.	Providing Asphaltting Work at Sharavathi Shanthanagara and Surrounding Area in Ward No-38 HMT.	90.00
5.	Providing Asphaltting Work at 3rd Cross Peenya New Extension and Surrounding Area in Ward No-38 HMT.	90.00
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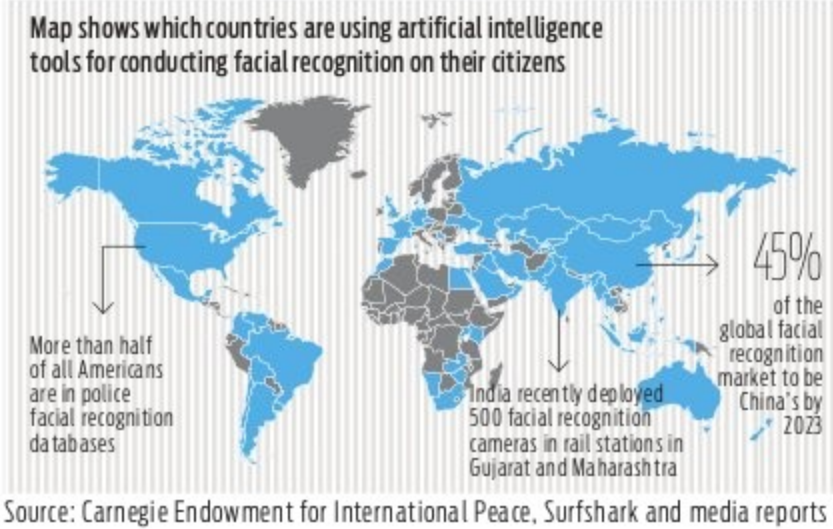
A small nocturnal marsupial — The Eastern Barred Bandicoot — that once roamed the Australian mainland has been brought back from the brink of extinction after a decades-long conservation effort



A Russian Soyuz rocket has blasted into space with 34 satellites from British Onweb, which aims to provide broadband to the world. The company is competing against billionaires to provide internet

UN urges moratorium on AI tech that imperils our rights

Warning comes as India sharply increases video surveillance and facial recognition, while few legal safeguards exist to monitor this



Source: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Surfshark and media reports

TECHNOLOGY

GENEVA: The UN called Wednesday for a moratorium on artificial intelligence systems like facial recognition technology that threaten human rights until "guardrails" are in place against violations.

UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet warned that "AI technologies can have negative, even catastrophic effects if they are used without sufficient regard to how they affect people's human rights."

She called for assessments of how great a risk various AI technologies pose to things like rights to privacy and freedom of movement and of expression. She said countries should ban or heavily regulate the ones that pose the greatest threats.

But while such assessments are under way, she said that "states should place moratoriums on the use of potentially high-risk technology".

Presenting a fresh report on the issue, she pointed to the use of profiling and automated de-

cision-making technologies.

She acknowledged that "the power of AI to serve people is undeniable."

"But so is AI's ability to feed human rights violations at an enormous scale with virtually no visibility," she said. "Action is needed now to put human rights guardrails on the use of AI, for the good of all of us."

Hasty implementation?

The report, which was called for by the UN Human Rights Council, looked at how countries and businesses have often hastily implemented AI technologies without properly evaluating how they work and what impact they will have.

India has ramped up its video surveillance in the past five years and has plans for an integrated nationwide facial recognition system. "What's clear from all these projects is that this government is putting surveillance first," researcher Divij Joshi, founder of the AI Observatory, told the *Financial Times* last month. "Often security becomes the go-to excuse for these things, but it is so

weak and widely defined with such few safeguards that it could easily turn into moral policing of interfaith couples or activists, or whomever they want."

The UN report found that AI systems are used to determine who has access to public services, job recruitment and impact what information people see and can share online, Bachelet said. Faulty AI tools have led to people being unfairly denied social security benefits, while innocent people have been arrested due to flawed facial recognition.

"The risk of discrimination linked to AI-driven decisions — decisions that can change, define or damage human lives — is all too real," Bachelet said.

U-nlimited tracking

The report highlighted how AI systems rely on large data sets, with information about people collected, shared, merged and analysed in often opaque ways. The data sets themselves can be faulty, discriminatory or out of date, and thus contribute to rights violations, it warned.

The report raised particular concern about the increasing use of AI by law enforcement, including as forecasting tools.

When AI and algorithms use biased historical data, their profiling predictions will reflect that, for instance by ordering increased deployments to communities already identified, rightly or wrongly, as high-crime zones.

Remote real-time facial recognition is also increasingly deployed by authorities across the globe, the report said, potentially allowing the unlimited tracking of individuals.

LOFTY AMBITIONS

A new company called Colossal, capitalising on a partnership with Harvard geneticist George Church, said its species "de-extinction" effort has the potential to anchor a working model for restoring damaged or lost ecosystems and thereby help slow or even halt the effects of climate change

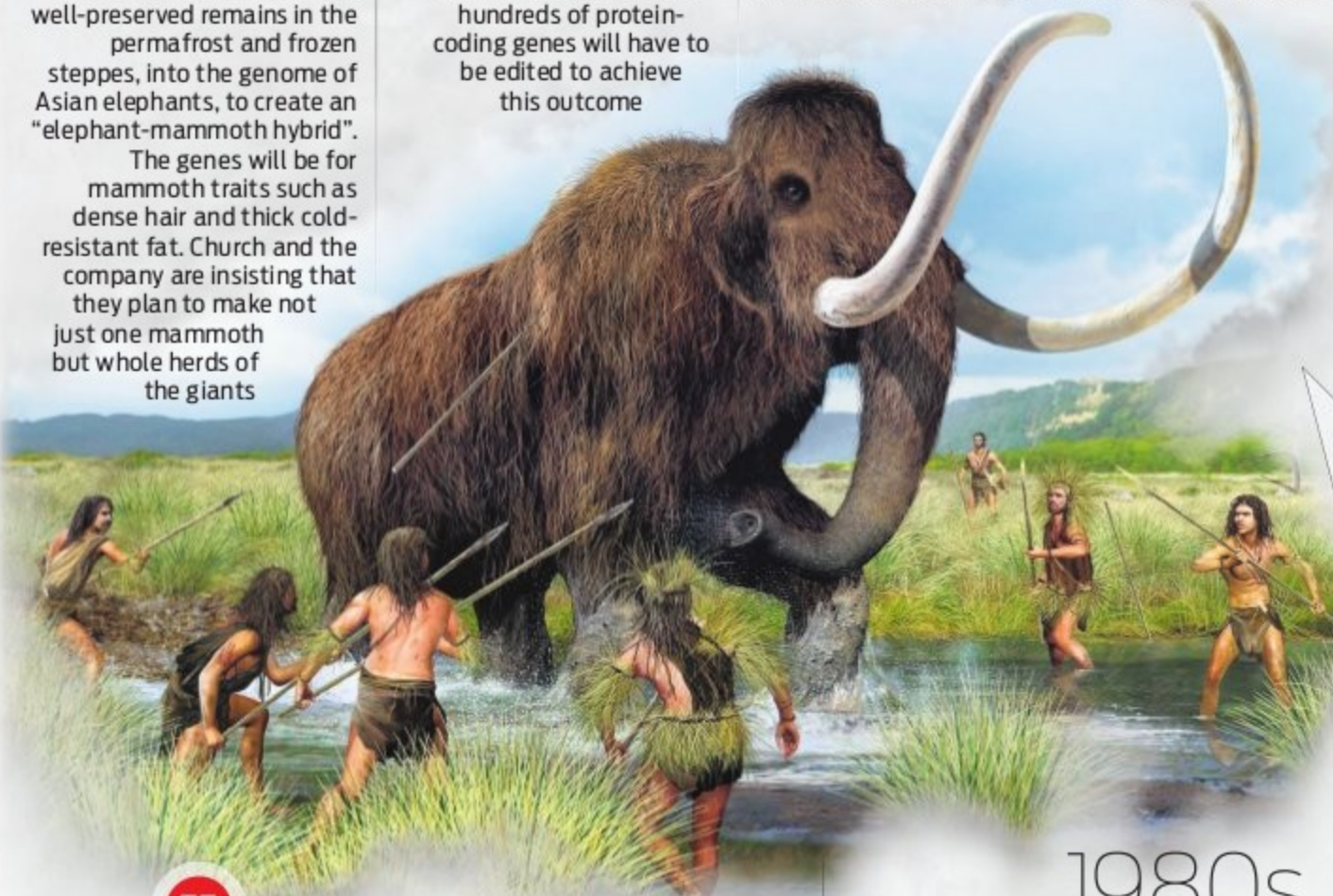
GENETIC FRANKENSTEIN(s)?

Colossal says it aims to insert DNA sequences of woolly mammoths, collected from well-preserved remains in the permafrost and frozen steppes, into the genome of Asian elephants, to create an "elephant-mammoth hybrid".

The genes will be for mammoth traits such as dense hair and thick cold-resistant fat. Church and the company are insisting that they plan to make not just one mammoth but whole herds of the giants

99.6%

Asian elephants and woolly mammoths share a 99.6% similar DNA makeup, Colossal says. They differ by about 1.4 million DNA letters and hundreds of protein-coding genes will have to be edited to achieve this outcome



This is a major milestone for us. It's going to make all the difference in the world

George Church, a biologist at Harvard Medical School, told *The New York Times*

In addition to bringing back ancient extinct species like the woolly mammoth, we will be able to leverage our technologies to help preserve critically endangered species that are on the verge of extinction and restore animals where humankind had a hand in their demise

Colossal chief executive and co-founder Ben Lamm, an emerging technology entrepreneur

WHAT ONE CRITIC SAYS:

It's not the answer [to problems like climate change]. It's not high on my priority list. But it's cool. And you know, humans do a lot of things just because they're cool — Hank Greely, director of the Center for Law and the Biosciences at Stanford University, told *Stat News*

EXFILE • RESEARCH

Wild quest to resurrect the woolly mammoth

It is the elephant in the genomics room: Can extinct species be resurrected? One bioscience firm insists they can, announcing this week its intent to use emerging technology to restore the woolly mammoth to the Arctic tundra

WHY BRING BACK MAMMOTS?

When they were still alive, the large animals grazed in the Arctic tundra, a vast region with major climate change-combatting properties, such as carbon sequestering and methane suppression. The Arctic tundra is vital to our efforts at slowing global warming. The giants could knock down sunlight-absorbing trees and change the tundra into light-reflecting grasslands, which would keep the ground cooler, prevent the release of methane and create plant matter for locking in carbon

Woolly mammoths roamed much of the Arctic, and co-existed with early humans who hunted the cold-resistant herbivores for food and used their tusks and bones as tools

4,000

years ago the animals died out. For decades, scientists have been recovering bits and pieces of mammoth tusks, bones, teeth and hair to extract and try to sequence the mammoth's DNA

1980s

George Church, co-founder of Colossal, created the first direct genomic sequencing method

PLAN FOR THE RESURRECTION PROCESS

DNA from an elephant egg will be removed and replaced with mammoth DNA

Then, an elephant embryo will be created, whose genome will be altered to that of an woolly mammoth

The embryo will be incubated in an artificial womb for its 22-month growth



\$15 mn

Colossal is funded in part through a \$15 million seed round from investors and says its advisors include leaders in bioethics and genomics

Nearly every nation failing in efforts to fight climate crisis

CLIMATE

NEARLY every nation is coming up short — most of them far short — in their efforts to fight climate change, and the world is unlikely to hold warming to the internationally agreed-upon limit, according to a new scientific report.

Only one nation — tiny The Gambia in Africa — is on track to cut emissions and undertake its share of actions to keep the world from exceeding the Paris agreement goal of limiting warming to 1.5°C of warming since pre-industrial times, the report said.

Only one industrialized nation — the United Kingdom — is even close to doing what it should to cut emissions of heat-trapping gases and finance clean energy for poorer nations, the Climate Action Tracker reported Wednesday.

The report called efforts by the United States, the European Union, Germany and Japan "insufficient" and more in line with global warming of 3°C since the late 19th century.

ENERGY MAJORS AGREE ON NET ZERO STANDARD

Energy majors such as BP, Shell and Total have agreed on a common standard on reporting progress over net zero carbon emissions, allowing the world's biggest investors to properly track progress, the Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change said in a statement.

The world has already warmed 1.1 degrees Celsius (2 degrees Fahrenheit) since that time, so these countries are on track to make the world 1.9 degrees Celsius (3.4 degrees Fahrenheit) warmer than now.

China, the highest carbon emitter, and third highest carbon polluter India are what the report calls "highly insufficient" or more in line with 4°C of warming since pre-industrial times.

Brazil and Mexico "went backwards" on their fight to curb global warming. The report lists Iran, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore and Thailand on the bottom.

Africa to get only half of expected UN doses

MEDICINE

GENEVA: The World Health Organization and its partners said they hope to provide Africa with about 30 per cent of the Covid-19 vaccines the continent needs by February, badly missing the 60 per cent vaccination coverage goal that African leaders had once

hoped for this year.

WHO director-general Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus called the massive disparity in vaccination rates between rich and poor countries a "solvable problem" and called again for pharmaceutical companies to prioritize the UN-backed Covax initiative, which is designed to share

vaccines globally.

But drugmakers — including Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna — have shown no indications they are eager to switch their current tactics, which involve appealing to rich countries to authorize booster shots. To date, fewer than four per cent of Africans have been fully immunized.



IN VIVID SHADES

A pair of macaw at Alipore Zoological Garden in Kolkata after the site reopened following a Covid-mandated closure | PTI

FACT OF THE MATTER

Instagram toxic for teens?



TECHNOLOGY

Instagram defended itself against a report that the social network harms the mental health of young girls, saying it plans to play down posts promoting myths about beautiful bodies. Instagram head of public policy Karina Newton pushed back against a *Wall Street Journal* report that cited Facebook research as showing its photo-centric service takes a toll on teenagers, especially girls. "The research on the effects of social media on people's well-being is mixed, and our own research mirrors external research," Newton said. "What seems to matter most is how people use social media, and their state of mind when they use it." She cited a Harvard study noting a "saw" of positive and negative experiences US teenagers have on social media.

1,400 dolphins killed in a day



CONSERVATION

The government of the Faroe Islands, an autonomous Danish territory, faced an outcry on Tuesday over the culling of more than 1,400 white-sided dolphins in a day in what was said to be the single biggest hunt in the northern archipelago. "Traditionally, the North Atlantic islands hunt pilot whales and not dolphins, the spokesman said. "There are usually a few of them in the 'grind', but we normally don't kill such a large number," said a local television journalist, Hallur av Rana. The "grindadráp" is a practice whereby the hunters first surround the whales with a wide semi-circle of fishing boats and then drive them into a bay to be beached and slaughtered.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

With lab-grown animal protein, American startup aims to transform pet food industry

TECHNOLOGY

BOULDER: Cloudy liquid bubbling in glass tubes is key to a US startup's hopes of remaking the pet food industry by growing nutritional chow in a lab.

Most pet food includes animal protein, which requires the slaughter of animals and is ultimately a source of planet-warming gases. Rich Kelleman's Colorado-based Bond Pet Foods, however, is aiming to sidestep both pitfalls by making those same proteins in a biotech process.

His inspiration comes in part from his own disgust over the treatment of livestock on its way to the food supply.

He was also shocked when he read a study showing that pets in the US consume as many calories sourced from animals as France's population, which numbers more than 65 million. Livestock's impact on climate change added to his resolve, as raising animals for food is responsible for a whopping 14.5 percent of human-linked greenhouse gas emissions, according to UN data.

But vegetables alone aren't

necessarily enough nutrition for cats and dogs.

Kelleman was convinced by research that if a company could "crack the code" for lab-grown pet food there would be a market for it. "For dogs and cats, it has to be palatable, but it doesn't have to look like a fully formed steak or breast,"



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Rich Kelleman, owner of Bond Pet Foods

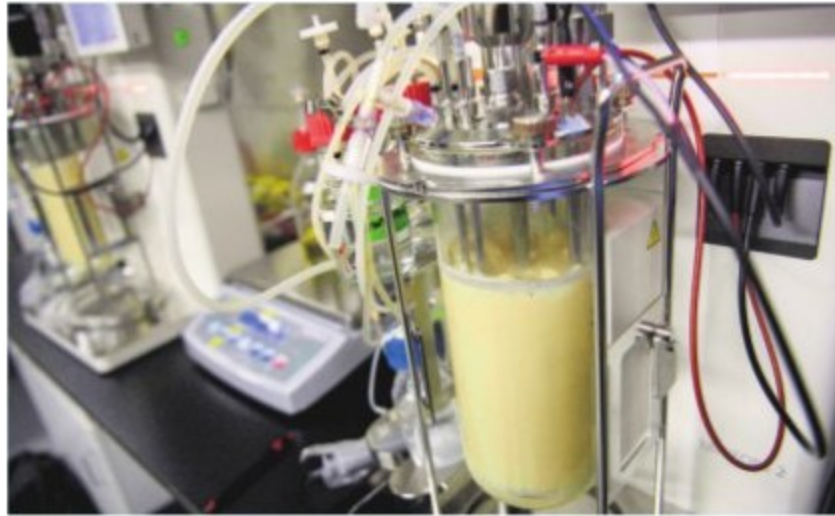
Kelleman told *AFP* during a visit to the startup.

"It's not about the mouth feel; the sizzle, the taste, and the texture that have to be so precise for people to embrace it." In development, Kelleman's startup drew blood from a pedigree chicken, extracted DNA from the sample and inserted it into a microbe.

The resulting microbe was added to a fermenter to produce lab-grown animal proteins. "It sounds like a weird, strange process, but it is something that has been around for quite a while," Kelleman said.

His dog, Rumples, seems to enjoy it. And an *AFP* reporter given a sample noticed its nutty flavor that includes notes of parmesan cheese.

But the company has many hurdles to cross. First is the price, because even environment-loving dog owners watch their budgets. Using fermentation tanks has enabled Bond to cut the cost of protein to \$5 per kg from \$100 per kilogramme. "I'd like to think I could give my dogs real meat protein without harming the planet," said Rochelle Loughry, owner of two Australian Shepherds.



Cloudy liquid bubbles in glass tubes at Colorado-based Bond Pet Foods | AFP



DAY'S DIARY

Rescue Hero

In 1976, award-winning Armenian swimmer Shavarsh Karapetyan saved 20 lives from a trolleybus that had toppled in the Yerevan reservoir

VALIENT WITNESS

Shavarsh, his brother Kamo, and their coach Liparit Almasakyan went for a jog along the Yerevan Lake when they saw the accident. The trolley had sunk 10 metres into the lake



SWIMMER-SAVIOUR

Shavarsh dove in and broke open a glass window by kicking it. Despite profuse bleeding in his legs, he pulled out 46 people, of whom 20 survived



AFTERMATH AND AWARDS

The injuries from this act ended his career. He was awarded the Order of the Badge of Honor by the Soviet government for his heroics

Upendra's next film sends fans into frenzy

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WEDDING BELLE

HEAD to the JW Marriott, Bengaluru, to attend Hi Life Brides of India, presented by Hi Life Exhibition. It is India's trendsetter in fashion and lifestyle exhibitions. The two-day show will offer a vibrant platform for top brands in wedding wear and bridal essentials to showcase their creativity. Designed to be fun and inspiring with a touch of luxury and elegance, Hi Life Brides Of India offers brides a range of choices in jewelry and apparels. Whether you are looking for traditional wedding wear or contemporary outfits, this event offers all of them under one roof. Hi Life Brides of India will be taking place on September 16 and 17, at JW Marriott, Bengaluru, Vittal Mallya Road.



For the limited amount of clothing Kim Kardashian wears otherwise, she seems to have made up with this outfit

- Paresh Lamba, designer



Lil Nas X

Jennifer Lopez



Kim Kardashian

BOLD & THE BIZARRE

Love it, hate it, you can't ignore it. Celebs who walked the red carpet at the Met Gala 2021 made heads turn with their over-the-top outfits. Bengaluru designers weigh in

ANILA KURIAN

FOR capes, sequin bodysuits and cowboy hats...these are just some of the outfits and accessories that marked this year's Met Gala, where designers let their imagination loose in terms of design and outfits, while celebrities flaunted them with oomph. This year's fashion's biggest night out in New York City, was centred around the theme 'In America: A Lexicon of Fashion'.

Kim Kardashian's all-black look — a form-hugging Balenciaga bodysuit she wore to support her estranged husband Kanye West's new album, Donda — has been the talk of the town ever since she made her appearance. Bengaluru's popular designer Paresh Lamba has a tongue-in-cheek response. "For the limited amount of clothing she wears otherwise, she seems to have made up with this outfit. She wore a look where even her face wasn't seen,

but she was certainly seen by everyone on social media. Quite a bold statement to make," Lamba says.

If some thought that Jennifer Lopez stunned the world in a Ralph Lauren dress with a high-leg slit, a cowgirl hat and faux fur wrap, Prasad Bidapa wasn't impressed. "It was rather too simple. It looked like a college student put together that outfit," says the fashion stylist and choreographer.

On the other hand, some like lifestyle consultant and fashion advocate Sarayu Hegde point out that a handful of celebs took the fun element forward to further a cause they resonate with.

"The dramatic sustainable gown by Oscar de la Renta, was worn by Billie Eilish, on the agreement that the label goes 100 per cent fur-free. The vintage Gucci dress, worn by Addison Rae, also proved that

you can always re-wear and bring back timeless classics. Conscious fashion advocate Stelle McCartney too featured quite a few looks on the red carpet," she says, adding that a 100 per cent vegan menu helped represent the shift happening in fashion toward sustainability.

The gala also saw men experimenting with colours, styles and statements. For his debut, Dany Levi worked with Loewe's Jonathan Anderson to create a "powerful ensemble that celebrates the resilience, love and the joy of the LGBT+ community".

"The multi-coloured pastel outfit with dramatic shoulders, an image of two men kissing the world map...it played very well with the theme. It's also a topic that's relevant," adds Lamba.

Designer Bassam Osman applauds rapper Lil Nas X's outfits, a dramatic ensemble costume designed by Donatella Versace. "He did what Lady Gaga usually does with three outfit changes. He went from wearing the golden Versace suit to an armour and a slinky sequined bodysuit which was a very bold move," he says.

However, when it comes to the only Indian — Hyderabad-based philanthropist Sudha Reddy — to have attended the Met Gala this year, Osman finds the military-inspired haute couture look by Falguni Shane Peacock, to be quite a miss.

"She was trying too hard. The stars, the colours and the stripes on it, honestly, looked like a carpet in the White House," he says.

Billie Eilish

CITY READ

Hindi Week celebrations held

Rail Wheel Factory (RWF) celebrated Hindi Week from September 7 to 9, by organising various competitions like quiz, noting and drafting and essay writing, among others. Chief guest Ajai Kumar Dubey, general manager of RWF, inaugurated the Hindi exhibition and also distributed prizes to the winners.



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A flute with LED lights, a built-in mic and musical output similar to bamboo flutes...This electrified flute is classical artiste Pravin Godkhindi's latest creation



Electrifying experience

SANATH PRASAD

H'E'S been playing the flute and experimenting with new tunes for decades. But this time, classical artiste Pravin Godkhindi has gone a step ahead, giving the flute a new dimension — not just in terms of sound output. Godkhindi has now introduced a new electrified flute called the Divya Bansuri, made of acrylic, something he worked on during the last one-and-a-half years of the pandemic. The product consists of LED lights and an in-built

microphone which gives the same musical output as bamboo flutes. According to Godkhindi, the new instrument in the music scene is a transparent flute that is operated with batteries and can last upto eight hours, if continuously used.

Unlike a bamboo flute, the shape and size of the electrified flute is different. It is cylindrical and weighs around 120-125 gm. The battery is used only to power the LED bulbs, while the internal mic is used to draw power from an external mixer or sound system. Despite the electrical

nature, the musical instrument is designed to retain the volume, tone and texture of the bamboo flute. "The western flute is made of steel and silver, but the tones don't suit Indian music. While researching further, I came across a glass flute which inspired me to think with acrylic which is trending these days. It gives the right musical output, suited for Indian classical music," says Godkhindi, who started experimenting with the instrument in 2020 with his student Guruprasad Hegde. Godkhindi launched the electrified flute on the occasion of Gokulashtami recently, as a symbolic gratitude to Lord Krishna, who was known for playing the bansuri. His Gokulashtami surprises aren't new. In 2019, Godkhindi and his son Shadaj Godkhindi performed a jugal-bandi with the flute where the father helped him with the notes and the son played the instrument, and vice-versa. Godkhindi is also thinking of ways to improve the features in the electrified flute. "I am working on a mechanism called mood lighting that will enable the LED lights to pop as per the ragas. I am also working on installing a rechargeable battery into the setup. I believe the lockdown has given me the space to explore various aspects of music. These ideas are just the results of the long break," says Godkhindi, whose creation will hit the market shortly.



GIN FEVER

'Festival In A Box' is for gin lovers to enjoy the drink from home. The kit will include tinctures, pickle, fruit syrup and tonic water, among others.
When: Till Sept 20
Details: insider.in



SOULFUL TUNES

Listen and enjoy to some soulful tunes by singer Sid Jonathan at Hard Rock Cafe.
When: Sept 19 **Details:** bookmyshow.com



SUNRISE TREK

Trek to Skandagiri, 70 km from Bengaluru city, to enjoy a beautiful sunrise. The trek will start at 10 pm and will return by 1 pm.
When: Sept 17-25
Details: bookmyshow.com



Bon Voyage

Explore Dandeli and trek to Dudhsagar Falls. One can also visit Mandovi river, nearby falls and streams and enjoy the Dudhsagar falls viewpoint.
When: Sept 17-20 **Details:** allevents.in

LAUGH ALONG WITH **PAVAN VENUGOPAL** AS HE SHARES SOME HILARIOUS KANNADA JOKES **WHEN:** SEPT 19 **DETAILS:** BOOKMYSHOW.COM

Biz Literature Festival

At Bangalore Business Literature Festival, authors and business leaders will be discussing the future of careers and work, lesser-known success secrets of start-ups and marketing challenges, among others.
When: Sept 21-23 **Details:** allevents.in



Traditional Music

Kaleidoscopic musical experience Strings Attached will be performed by R Kumar in violin and Dr Jayanthi Kumar in the veena at Chowdiah Memorial Hall, Malleswaram.
When: Sept 25 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

Investors' Masterclass

'The International Investor', a two-day masterclass, will shed light on the key secrets of global investing and ways to invest in the global market for wealth creation.
When: Sept 17-18
Details: insider.in



Music Conference

In the fifth edition, All About Music aims to connect the dots of the evolving music industry. There will also be talent showcases and pitch opportunities for aspiring musicians.
When: Sept 27-29 **Details:** insider.in



Movie and Chill

If you are a movie buff and are looking for recommendations, head to Lahe Lahe for a movie marathon and meet new people.
When: Sept 18-19 **Details:** bookmyshow.com

Beauty Regime

The Body Shop's new Himalayan Charcoal Skin Clarifying Night Peel is an overnight formula that claims to exfoliate and clarify your skin. The formula is for combination to oily skin and made with 98 per cent natural-origin ingredients, including charcoal, kaolin clay and tea tree oil. **Available at:** bodyshop.in



QUICK FIX

What's cooking IN YOUR KITCHEN?

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CARAMEL COLD COFFEE

INGREDIENTS

- Vanilla ice cream: 3 scoops
- Caramel ice cream: 2 scoops
- Coffee powder: 2 tbsp
- Brown sugar: 1 tbsp ■ Milk: 300 ml

METHOD

- Blend all the ingredients together.
- Serve with some chocolate syrup.

— Mahathi Reddy, Hyderabad

FIT BIT

SUPTA KONASANA

(RECLINING ANGLE POSE)

In Sanskrit, 'supta' means reclined, 'kona' means angle and 'asana' means pose. It is an inverted restorative asana that is part of the primary series in Ashtanga yoga and is considered a variation of Halasana (Plow Pose). It is believed to activate the Visuddha (Throat) Chakra—the center of communication and opening that stimulates authentic expression, faith and understanding. It improves concentration, massages the thyroid gland, strengthens the back and abdominal muscles and stretches the spine, legs and arms. To ease pressure on the spine, place a folded blanket under the shoulders and neck.

STEPS

- Lie down on your back; extend the legs and arms straight.
- Inhale, swing the legs over the head until the toes touch the floor. Raise your arms to grab the big toes with corresponding hands.
- Exhale holding the toes and separate the legs as wide as possible. Stay here for 20-30 seconds breathing deeply with an inverted but erect spine.
- Take a deep breath in to rock up onto the sit bones balancing hovering the legs in the air keeping the grip on the toes intact.
- Exhale gradually keeping the widely separated legs and chin on the floor.
- Inhale, lift the chest up and release the hands.
- Bring the legs closer and relax in Dandasana (Staff Pose).
- For a modified version, place the feet against a wall or use yoga blocks to support the feet.

BENEFITS

- Stretches the back muscles making the spine supple.
- Squeezes the abdominal muscles and promotes endurance.
- Promotes the secretion of digestive juices, enzymes.
- Stretches the hamstring muscles and strengthens the knee.
- Supplies fresh blood to the brain, thus improving the ability to focus.
- Stretches the neck muscles and massages the thyroid gland. Regulates the hormonal flow and maintains metabolism.

LIMITATIONS

- Don't practise this asana if you have pain or injury in the neck, back or legs.
- Avoid this pose in case of a slipped disc.
- Women must skip this asana during menstruation.
- People suffering from severe sciatica must avoid this asana.

— by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai



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● On Spotify

POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

TAGARU

Shiva, an encounter specialist, takes an oath to eradicate the wrongdoers from society. Meanwhile, Punarvasu, a young lady, falls in love with him.
● Cast: Triveni Rao, Manvita Kamath, Shiva Rajkumar, Dhananjay

NAGAMANDALA

Newly married Rani is distraught due to her adulterous and neglectful husband, Appanna. But her life changes when a snake falls in love with her and takes on Appanna's form to be with her.
● Cast: Vijayalakshmi, Prakash Raj, Mandya Ramesh

SIMHADRI

Samrat is adopted by the Varmas, who raise him as one of their own, and the patriarch's granddaughter falls in love with him. However, he leaves her to be with a girl who is mentally unstable.
● Cast: Anikitha, NT Rama Rao Jr, Bhumiika Chawla

JANAPADA

Chandran, a folk singer, falls in love with a city girl. However, things take a turn when his popularity attracts the attention of some evil people.
● Cast: Sharaath Lohitashwa, Kutty Radhika, Raadhika Sarathkumar



Scan this QR code to find out how your favourite celebs are coping with the lockdown.

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS



1 WHAT'S YOUR HAPPINESS SCORE? BY DOMINIC PRICE

How do you rediscover a happier, more purpose-driven self in the wake of the pandemic? Quiz yourself alongside work futurist Dominic Price as he lays out a simple yet insightful four-part guide to assessing your life in ways that can help you reconnect with what's really important.



2 THE SPANISH INQUISITION BY KAYLA WOLF

In 1478, Pope Sixtus IV issued a decree authorizing the Catholic monarchs, Ferdinand and Isabella, to root out heresy in the Spanish kingdoms. The inquisition quickly turned its attention to ridding the region of people who were not part of the Catholic Church—leading to more than 350 years of ethnic cleansing. Kayla Wolf digs into the persecution and brutality of the Spanish Inquisition.



3 WHAT FROGS IN HOT WATER CAN TEACH US ABOUT THINKING AGAIN? BY ADAM GRANT

Psychologist Adam Grant borrows examples from his own life to illustrate how tunnel vision around our goals, habits and identities can find us stuck on a narrow path. Drawing on his research, he shares counterintuitive insights on how to broaden your focus and remain open to opportunities for rethinking.



4 HOW BOREDOM CAN LEAD TO YOUR MOST BRILLIANT IDEAS BY MANOUSH ZOMORODI

Do you sometimes have your most creative ideas while doing mundane chores? It's because when your body goes on autopilot, your brain gets busy forming new neural connections that connect ideas and solve problems. Learn to love being bored as Manoush Zomorodi explains the connection between spacing out and creativity.



5 CONFESSIONS OF A RECOVERING MICROMANAGER BY CHIEH HUANG

Think about the most tired you've ever been at work—chances are it was when you had someone looking over your shoulder, watching your each and every move. In a funny talk packed with wisdom and humility, entrepreneur Chieh Huang, shares the cure for micromanagement madness—and how to foster innovation and happiness at work.

REGIONAL



KOODE (Malayalam)

After years of being away in Dubai, Joshua returns for his sister's funeral. But it gets weird when he starts seeing his beloved sister's spirit.
● Cast: Prithviraj Sukumaran, Parvathy Thiruvothu, Nazriya Nazim
● Watch on: Disney+Hotstar

MIKHAEL (Malayalam)

A businessman tries to make a young lady commit suicide in order to avenge his son's death. However, the woman's brother, a doctor, saves her and vows to eliminate those who harm her family.
● Cast: Nivin Pauly, Unni Mukundan
● Watch on: Amazon Prime Video



SULTAN (Tamil)

Sulthan, a motherless child, is raised by a group of criminals working for his father. However, when his father dies, he decides to reform the group into better people.
● Cast: Karthi, Rashmika Mandanna
● Watch on: Disney+Hotstar



MUMBAI DIARIES (Hindi, series)

A medical thriller set in the Emergency Room of a hospital, the series explores the challenges faced by the medical staff as well as other first responders across Mumbai in dealing with a crisis of immense magnitude. In this battle to save lives and heal others, the ones doing the fixing are broken.
● Cast: Mohit Raina, Konkana Sen Sharma, Shreya Dhanwanthary
● Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with internet connection.

MAALAI NERATHU MAYAKKAM (Tamil)

An independent woman and an old-fashioned young man discover themselves through marriage.
● Cast: Balakrishna Kola, Wamiqa Gabbi
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BHUI: THE PRIDE OF INDIA (Hindi)

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Evidence shows that gestational diabetes increases the risk of cardiovascular disease, chronic kidney conditions and cancer



How gestational diabetes can affect mother & child

DR PRABHA RAMAKRISHNA

GESTATIONAL diabetes, a form of high blood sugar affecting pregnant women, developing around 20 to 24 weeks of pregnancy among women who weren't diabetic earlier, has emerged to be one of the major public health problems in the country with a reported prevalence rate between 4.6 per cent to a whopping 14 per cent in urban areas.

What is worrisome is the fact that gestational diabetes is associated with long-term maternal and fetal adverse outcomes. Evidence shows that gestational diabetes increases the risk of cardiovascular disease, chronic kidney condition and cancer. It can lead to obesity, overweight, insulin resistance and anomalies related to neurocognitive development among children.

How can it affect the baby?

- Excessive birth weight: More than normal blood sugar in mothers may result in their babies to grow too large. This may cause various complications at the time of birth like the baby becoming wedged in the birth canal, birth injuries or a C-section birth.
- Early or preterm birth: Gestational diabetes may increase the chance of early labour among women and delivery before the due date. Premature delivery may result in several complications in the baby, sometimes claiming life.
- Serious breathing difficulties: Babies born early to gestational diabetic mothers might find it difficult to breathe after birth.
- Low blood sugar or hypoglycemia: At times babies born to mothers with gestational diabetes may have low blood sugar just after birth. This may cause severe episodes of seizures in the baby. Proper feeding and glucose solutions can return the baby's blood sugar level to normal.

- Obesity and Type 2 Diabetes in later life: Babies of mothers with gestational diabetes are at a very high risk of developing obesity and Type 2 Diabetes later in life.
- Stillbirth: If gestational diabetes is not treated, it may result in the baby's death either before or shortly after birth.

How can it affect the mother?

- High blood pressure and preeclampsia: The disease may spike the risk of high blood pressure and also preeclampsia, that can be fatal to both the mother and the baby.
- Having a C-section delivery: Mothers with gestational diabetes are more likely to have a C-section delivery instead of normal delivery.
- Diabetes in future: Mothers with gestational diabetes are more likely to get it again during a future pregnancy, even causing Type 2 diabetes as they get older.

Prevention

- Eat healthy: Go for foods which are rich in fibre and low in fat and calories. Have more fruits, veggies and whole grains. Keep variety in your diet and watch portion sizes.
- Remain active: Exercising before and during pregnancies may work wonders in preventing gestational diabetes. 30 minutes of moderate exercise, brisk daily walk, swimming, riding a bike can be of great help.
- Start pregnancy at a healthy weight: When you are planning a pregnancy, make sure you have a healthy body weight.
- Do not gain more weight than recommended: Gaining a little weight during pregnancy is normal but putting on excessive weight may increase the risk of gestational diabetes. Hence watch out for your body weight throughout pregnancy.

(The writer is senior consultant - obstetrics & gynaecology, Sakra World Hospital)

SHALINI ARVIND

ALL of us know that reduced physical activity, increased intake of food, stress, alcohol, and tobacco are gateways to lifestyle diseases or non-communicable diseases (NCDs). NCDs include diseases like diabetes, hypertension, atherosclerosis, arthritis, obesity, metabolic syndrome, gall stones, stroke, chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases, Alzheimer's, cirrhosis, a few cancers, etc.

When it comes to Covid, it has been found that recovery is comparatively difficult with obese patients as the capacity of lungs to contract and expand is lower due to reduced muscle. It also increases the inflammation in the body, which adds to the problem. Since it is a time when many are working from home, they are susceptible to falling prey to laziness. Here's a word of caution to those who choose to work from home (WFH).

WFH contributes to

- Disturbed schedules. There is an overlapping of work time and family/personal time as there is no boundary being drawn.
- People have less access to outdoor games.
- Boredom, which leads to binge eating.
- Uncontrolled eating because

of munching while using gadgets.

Using WFH option to your advantage

- Being at home has restricted you to homemade food which is a healthy option. Learn cooking.
- If you are working from home, your schedule must have turned haywire. Try to keep the

timings regular. Take out time for yourself to exercise.

- Not getting a chance to work-out or walk will make it easier for you to gain weight. Opt for homebound exercises.
- Since physical activity has come down, consider cutting down on excess food.
- Exercise helps in boosting immunity, elevates mood, makes you tired, thus helping

you to get good sleep. It also regularises blood sugar levels and reduces blood lipid levels. Try to indulge in long-forgotten hobbies.

- Feeling stressed or bored may lead to binge eating of junk foods. Do not give into cravings. While reaching out for snacks, wait and question yourself if you are hungry, stressed or just bored.
- Stop shopping for junk.

- Drink water
- Sleep well
- Alcohol contains empty calories and are, in fact, a depressant.
- Plan and make use of the "work from home" opportunity to correct your lifestyle.

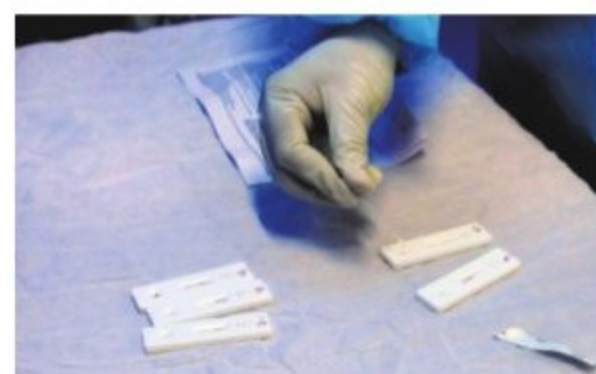
(The writer is chief dietitian, Fortis Hospitals, Bannerghatta Road)

Health bites

Working from home during the pandemic led to many health risk factors, including stress, insomnia and excess weight gain



NUGGETS



Saliva test for Covid outperforms commercial swab tests: Study

Saliva test to detect Covid-19 performs better than the nasal and oral swab tests authorised by the US Food and Drug administration (FDA), according to a study. The study by Rockefeller University conducted a direct head-to-head comparison of 162 individuals who received both the "DRUL" saliva test and a conventional swab test. DRUL caught all of the cases that the swabs identified as positive—plus four positive cases that the swabs missed entirely. "This research confirms that the test we developed is sensitive and safe," said Robert B Darnell, professor and head of the Laboratory of Molecular Neuro-Oncology. —IANS

Scientists who declined lab-leak theory linked to Wuhan lab: Report

Scientists who declined the theory that Covid-19 leaked from China's Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIV) had connections to the infamous lab, according to media reports. All but one of the scientists who signed a letter published in *The Lancet* on March 7 last year rejecting the lab-leak theory had links to Chinese researchers, their colleagues or funders, *The Telegraph* reported. The *Lancet* letter, signed by 27 scientists and initiated by British zoologist Peter Daszak, effectively shut down scientific debate into whether Coronavirus was manipulated or leaked from the Chinese lab. Daszak is the president of the US-based non-profit EcoHealth Alliance that has a direct connection with China. The firm has also funded research at the WIV. —IANS

Systemic Onset Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis can be difficult to diagnose as the general symptoms of this condition overlap with other childhood infections

DR ANAND P RAO

JUVENILE Idiopathic Arthritis (JIA) is one of the most common chronic joint diseases in children. Approximately 10-20 per cent of JIA patients are diagnosed with systemic onset JIA (SJIA). The condition is also known as Still's Disease. It is characterised by the presence of fever, joint pain with swelling and salmon pink rashes that are transient. The condition affects both boys and girls, equally. It may affect children of all ages at any point during their childhood.

SYMPTOMS

As mentioned, children with this disease present with a fever, joint pain, swelling and transient salmon pink rashes. SJIA can be complicated by a condition known as macrophage acti-



Pain point

vation syndrome which is rare but a potentially fatal complication. Uncontrolled SJIA can result in damage to joints resulting in pain, thereby limiting movement. Children affected by this can have stunted growth.

DIAGNOSIS

SJIA can be difficult to diagnose as the symptoms of this condition overlap with other infections. There are no tests to diagnose this condition, and clinicians have to rely on expe-

rience while examining patients suspected of SJIA.

TREATMENT

The aim of the treatment is to control the disease until a natural long-lasting remission comes into play. Doctors start the therapy with non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs. If the patient fails to respond, doctors initiate corticosteroids along with steroid-sparing agents. Although corticosteroids are effective in managing the symptoms, they may have some side effects like weight gain and mood swings. The treatment of SJIA has been revolutionised by the advent of biological response modifiers which block the interleukin 6 and interleukin 1 which mediate the disease.

(The writer is consultant - paediatric rheumatologist, Manipal Hospitals, Old Airport Road)

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REVA University Celebrates Convocation Day Amid Strict COVID-19 Protocols



Premier educational institution, REVA University conducted the 6th Annual Convocation on its campus on Wednesday. More than 3,800 students were conferred degrees and 45 meritorious students and toppers from various disciplines were awarded gold medals on the occasion. Also, 31 Ph.D. scholars were conferred doctorate degrees during the event.

Prof. K.K Aggarwal, Chairman, National Board of Accreditation, New Delhi addressed the gathering and Dr. Ashwathnarayan. C. N, Minister of Higher Education, IT and BT, Government of Karnataka, greeted virtually and extended his wishes to the graduating students.

Addressing the students, Prof.K.K Aggarwal, congratulated REVA University for introducing unique programmes that are innovative and will be most sought-after in the future job market. He said, "I noticed REVA University has introduced subjects like Performing Arts along with a Language subject, and this is a right step in the direction of introducing NEP 2020. Multidisciplinary is the future of education."

Further, he said, the distinguishing line between Arts, Science and Commerce is thinning out, and will be completely ruled out in the future. He added, "We are all aware of STEM education (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), but I strongly suggest we introduce STEAM education (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math). The future job industry will rely on candidates who excel in various fields, and

those who have mastered skills in different disciplines."

Last year, REVA University conducted a virtual convocation and over 4,000 students graduated virtually.

Commenting that an offline event amid students was held on the campus after 18 months, Chancellor of REVA University, Dr. P. Shyama Raju, said students were excited to be on campus for the Convocation Day, and it is delighting to see them interact with peers and faculty. "The Convocation Day is one of the many memorable events in a student's educational journey and we are happy to conduct Convocation Day on campus. More than 3,800 students graduated and I am happy to see students enter the next phase of their lives. Many will join organisations or family businesses and become employees or entrepreneurs, and many others will pursue higher studies and continue to be students. In either path they choose, I am pleased to know REVA University has mentored and moulded students to become successful in whatever direction they choose," Dr.P. Shyama Raju said.

Speaking about the precautions taken, Dr.P. Shyama Raju elaborated, "The Government of Karnataka has issued guidelines that not more than 400 people should assemble in any public/private events. In concurrence with the government mandate, REVA University bifurcated students and more than 3,800 students were placed in 9 clusters with a senior academician monitoring each cluster. The Vigilance Committee with cluster heads monitored the event."

It is important to talk over together the question of suffering and the word 'love', which has been so misused. What is the real significance or meaning of that word? And to go into these questions rather deeply, one has to begin with human relationship. Otherwise love becomes an abstraction, without much meaning and remains something printed in a book, or talked about in a church or in a temple, and completely forgotten.

Relationship is the whole structure of society – to put it very simply. It is a very complex problem, the question of relationship. But to enquire into that question one must begin very near. That is, very near, our human relationship with each other. And then discover from there what is right relationship – if there is such a thing – and move from there to the question of what the nature of love is. And whether love can exist as long as human beings suffer and if there is an end to suffering, specially psychologically. So we are going to go into this very complex problem.

We must begin very near to find



SUFFERING AND LOVE

out actually what our relationship is with each other, because on that our whole social, moral, ethical structure is based – that is society – the society which we have built, a society which is utterly, at present, immoral, degrading, destructive. If we would change the social structure it must begin from within, not merely

change from outside.

So we must find out what our human relationship is with society, human relationship with each other, human relationship with the whole of humanity, a global relationship. So what is actually, in our daily life, our relationship to each other, and what is it based on? As we said, the word is not the thing, the description is not the described. What we are doing now is a verbal description but if we are caught in the description and don't go to the described, the fact, then we will merely skim the surface and will lose all its meaning. So one must be aware, conscious, or whatever word one may use, not to be caught in words, not to be caught in descriptions, conclusions, but rather look, observe what actually our relationship is in daily life, and whether that relationship can be transformed into something other than 'what is'? That is our question: to transform 'what is' one must be concerned and observe completely 'what is', and not imagine 'what should be'. Right?

—Jiddu Krishnamurti



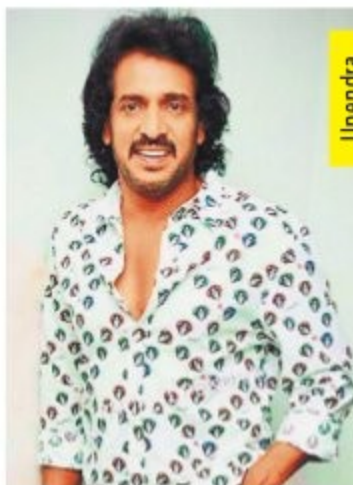
WHILE IT WAS EXPECTED THAT UPENDRA'S NEXT WOULD BE REVEALED ON HIS BIRTHDAY, THE POSTER OF THE FILM WAS LEAKED ONLINE

UPENDRA'S UNEXPECTED NEXT SENDS FANS INTO A FRENZY

A SHARADHAA

UN an earlier interview with us, Real Star Upendra revealed that he would soon announce his next directorial venture. While it was expected that the actor's next would be revealed on the occasion of his birthday, the poster of his next was leaked online and has since gone viral.

This has become an early gift of sorts for ardent fans of the actor, who were looking forward to celebrate their star's birthday on September 18.



Upendra, who is known for his unique scripts is equally known for his distinctive titles. This film's poster has a huge naama on it, and also features Upendra receiving credits for story, screenplay, dialogues and direction. Known for tackling burning issues with his unique touch, we can expect this film too to carry all of Upendra's trademark styles.

The film will be bankrolled by the actor's home banner, Upendra Productions.

The Upendra-starrer is expected to be a multilingual project, which will be released in Kannada, Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, and Hindi. Meanwhile, the actor will be resuming the shoot for *Kabzaa* from September 21.



Priyanka Upendra's 1980 will be an exclusive OTT release

The actor talks to *CE* about why the team opted to release the film on a homegrown streaming app

CE FEATURES

Priyanka Upendra's upcoming film, *1980* directed by debutant Rajkiran J, is set to be an exclusive OTT release. The film will be out on Namma Flix on October 15.

An official announcement was made by the production house at the trailer launch event, which had actors Sudeep and Upendra gracing it. Talking about her first OTT release, Priyanka says, "*1980* was a project, which was ready four months ago, and obviously like every other filmmaker, we were also looking for a big-screen release. We have been patiently waiting for theatres to reopen, but things are still bleak. So we decided to go with a digital release."

"Kannada has not been a priority for popular streaming channels, and I wonder why I have seen regional films of other languages have the same kind of making like our films, but the former has been given priority. So, we decided to go with a homegrown app. If this works, it will open the door for other films, who are wanting a channel to release their films. Secondly, there is a sector of audiences who are particular about watching only Kannada movies, and *1980* will cater to all those viewers," says Priyanka.

1980 has a parallel concept-based core, and this is what



attracted Priyanka to the film. "I play a novelist, and all my portions are set in *1980*. The retro look and feel gave a whole new dimension to my character," says Priyanka, adding, "It was an interesting role conceived by Rajkiran. The script was content-driven, and I enjoyed the shooting process," she says.

The film, which bears the caption 'A Demon's era', is being made under the banner of RK Productions. It will have music by Chintan Vikas and cinematography by Jeeva Antony.

Meanwhile, Priyanka also has *Life is Beautiful*, and *Ugra-vatara* in the post-production stages.



RAVICHANDRAN TO PLAY PROFESSOR IN *HEAD BUSH*

The Crazy Star in his quick chat with *CE* said that his special role in the underworld gangster drama justifies the title

CE FEATURES

CRAZY Star Ravichandran is the latest actor to join the cast of Dhananjay's next, *Head Bush*. In a quick chat with us, Ravichandran, revealed that he'd be playing a professor in the film. "Writer Agni Shridhar, actor Dhananjay and director Shoonya were very particular that I play this professor's role. I couldn't say no to this debutant director, and decided to be part of the project," says Ravichandran.

Directed by Shoonya, *Head Bush*, made under Daali Pictures in association with So-

mantha Talkies, also stars Yogi, Vasishtha Simha, Raghu Mukherjee, and Balu Nagedra in prominent roles.

Meanwhile, Ravichandran has three films at various production stages. "My upcoming directorial, *Ravi Bopanna* has been certified U/A, and is ready for release. My other film, *Kannadiga*, is in dubbing stage, and I recently completed shooting for *Drishya 2*," says the actor, who will soon announce details about his next project. "I have a couple of films, which are getting prepared, and I am contemplating, as to which project I will take up. Accordingly, I will reveal further details," he says.



GOWLI TO GO ON FLOORS ON SEPT 21

CE FEATURES

SRINAGAR Kitty's upcoming film, *Gowli*, directed by debutant Soora will be officially launched today. The makers revealed an interesting poster of the lead actor. The film will go on floors on September 21 and will be shot in various locations of Yellapur and Sirsi.

The action thriller drama will have Kitty playing a unique role and Paavana starring opposite him. *Gowli* is produced by Raghu Singham under his Sohan Film Factory banner. The film will have Yash Shetty playing the antagonist, along with Rangaya Raghu and Suddhi appearing in prominent roles.

Popular playback singer Shashank Seshagiri is composing the music for the film, which will have cinematography by Prajwal Gowda.

Soora's directorial, starring Srinagar Kitty, and Paavana will be officially launched today



The commercial entertainer titled *Siri Lambodara Vivaha* stars Anjan A Bharadwaj and Disha Ramesh as the main leads

SOURABH KULKARNI MAKES HIS DIRECTORIAL DEBUT WITH *SLV*

CE FEATURES

ANCHOR and actor Sourabh Kulkarni, son of well-known anchor Sanjeev Kulkarni is making his directorial debut with *Siri Lambodara Vivaha* (*SLV*). The film will star Anjan A Bharadwaj and Disha Ramesh (daughter of Mandya Ramesh) as the main leads. The film was launched with a muhurat recently, and the makers went on floors on

September 14. They are planning a 21-day schedule first. "It is my dream project, which is being made in association with the Nammane Production team, who have also involved themselves in the story, screenplay and dialogues of the film too," says Sourabh, who has acted in the popular serial, *Paapa Pandu*, and a few films. He has also directed a few short films, and is now helming his first movie. "*SLV* will be a family drama with a small



twist," the director tells us.

Sourabh, who has been working on the project over the past year says *SLV* is a collective effort, which is crowd-funded with technicians, relatives, and friends investing in

the project. "There are three major banners involved along with the several co-producers," says Sourabh. *SLV* marks the debut of music director Sangarsh Kumar, and Kitty Koushik is handling the camerawork for the film. The cast also includes Rajesh Nataranga, Sundar Veena, Rohith Nagesh, Bala Rajwadi, Shabari Manju, Shivakumar, P D Satishchandra, Santosh Karki, Girish Jatti, and Ashok B A.



Winona Ryder cast in indie thriller *The Cow*

CE FEATURES

WINONA Ryder is making a return to indie filmmaking with her new film, titled *The Cow*. The indie thriller marks director Eli Horowitz feature film debut. Horowitz is famous for co-creating Amazon's anthology series *Homecoming*.

Ryder joins an ensemble of actors including Dermot Mulroney, Brianne Tju, John Gallagher Jr., and Owen Teague, in the thriller co-written by Horowitz and Matthew Derby. The production of the film got recently wrapped up. The plot details are still being held tightly under wraps.

No release date has been announced for the thriller, which is being produced by BoulderLight Pictures and the Singapore-based production company mm2 Asia.

Apart from this film, Ryder had *Season 4 of Stranger Things*. She was recently seen in HBO's limited series, *The Plot Against America*.